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10,000 March in Hungary

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Demonstration Follows Arrests Of 4 Dissidents

BUDAPEST - More than 10,000 people marched here Tues-re day, chanting "Democracy" and lieved to be the biggest unofficial demonstration in Hungary since

The police made no attempt to obstruct the march. It took place only hours after at least four leading members of the opposition were arrested on subversion charges in a series of dawn raids, an nnderground publisher said.
The publisher, Ferenc Koeszeg.

said the four were Gabor Demszky, also a dissident publisher; Tamas Molnar, Ottillia Solt, a sociologist;

and Miklos Haraszti, a writer.

Gyorgy Gado, a leading speaker
at a smaller event last year, was also 3. missing and was thought to have been arrested, dissidents said. On the 140th anniversary of the day when the poet Sandor Petoli

led a rebellion against Austrian rule, demonstrators crammed the :---: square by the parliament building in Pest to cheer at calls for freedom and national independence.

"In 1848, 1918 and 1956, we tried to achieve the aims of free-dom, equality, independence and a place in the community of civilized nations," a dissident philosopher, Gaspar Miklos Tamas, told the protesters, many of whom wore cockades in the Hungarian colors, red, white and green. "We are still far from these aims."

Apparently referring to Janos Kadar, 75, who has led Hungary since the uprising quashed by Sovi-"Leaders who have lost the confidence of the people should resign."

COUNTY The crowd carried banners, with slogans such as "Press Freedom,"
"Real Reforms" and "Freedom of
Assembly," and draped them

around statues along the way.

A similar march last March 15. markets in the United States in coming weeks.

Almost half of Japanese corporations and the government itself March 31, causing many Japanese in which 2,000 to 3,000 Hungarians took part, was the first time since 1956 that the authorities had toler--will close their books on March 31, investors to bail out of the Ameri-the final day of their fiscal year. In can markets for fear that their inated such an open expression of

The authorities have opposed an application by 150 journalists and 50 academics to set up a "Glasnost Chib" to improve public informa-tion, and several independent pubishers have been raided in the past

- 1-W ■ 300 Protest in Leipzig About 300 protesters, defying police orders, formed a human chain and marched late Monday through central Leipzig, East Germany, demanding greater freedom, The Associated Press reported Tuesday, quoting witness

Kiosk

U.S. Presses For Contra Aid

WASHINGTON - White House officials, pushing for new aid to the Nicaraguan rebels, told congressional lead-ers on Tuesday that the Sandinist government was preparing its troops for "an all-out death blow" against the weakening contras, spokes-man Marlin Fitzwater said.

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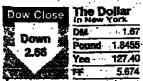
LD TRIBUNE



Diego Cordóvez, the UN mediator, said the Afghan peace talks have run into a serious problem. Page 2.

General News U.S. airline fares begin to increase as many discount fares Page 4:

Business/Finance First RepublicBank Corp. of Texas said it would seek feder-Page 13.



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ESTABLISHED 1887

U.S. Says New Uranium-Based Tank Armor Is Impenetrable

By George C. Wilson

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The United States has developed a tank armor made from a uranium byproduct and impervious to any Soviet anti-tank weapon, the Pen-

tagon said Monday.
The officials said that, beginning in October, new M-1 Abrams tanks will be equipped with the armor made from a mesh of "de-pleted" uranium encased in steel. The armor is 2.5 times as dense as

Pentagon officials estimated it would take the Soviet Union "almost a decade" to duplicate the

new armor plate.
"It's really a major advance," said Fred S. Hoffman, a Pentagon spokesman, in summarizing the secret briefings he received on the new armor.

Not only will the mesh of de-

pleted uranium encased in steel stop the Soviet anti-tank missiles in use today, Pentagon officials said, but it also cannot be penetrated by those known to be under development. The new armor is likely to encourage Soviet development of new anti-tank weap-ons, perhaps using depleted urani-

The reported advance in armor plate comes at the time when the Reagan administration is trying to assure its allies in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization that the United States will upgrade its conventional defenses as shortand medium-range nuclear mis-siles are withdrawn from Europe under the Intermediate-Range

Nuclear Forces Treaty.

Pentagon officials said the deelopment of the armor is evidence of the soundness of the U.S. strategy of offsetting the superior numerical strength of Warsaw Pact troops with higher quality

By Anise C. Wallace

New York Times Service

NEW YORK - A March 31

pressure on financial

accounting deadline in Japan could



Japan's Accounting Deadline Casts Shadow on U.S. Markets

DEFENSE PARLEY --- Frank C. Carlucci, the U.S. defense secretary, right, meeting his Soviet counterpart, Dmitri T. Yazov, left, in Bern on Tuesday as Arnold Koller, the Swiss

percent or greater.

Specifically, if the rate has

changed 15 percent or more from the April 1, 1987 level of 1 dollar to

will be required to record their in-

Depleted uranium, essentially mg, the Pentagon said. The army what is left over after uranium is started briefing factory workers turned into an enriched product Monday and issued statements to for weapons or nuclear reactors, the news media in an effort to gives off radiation in such small avoid environmental backlash amounts that it endangers noth- against the armor.

military chief, welcomes the two. Mr. Carlucci said if Moscow is seeking a defensive doctrine, it should cut its production of tanks. But he said that Soviet tanks "continue to pour out."

past week. Bond traders say that a April 1, the start of the new fiscal

European countries where the tanks will be based were afraid of the radiation, but the officials said they have allayed those worries.

The army does not intend to army is not required to.

the Japanese government and the

148 year these investors, with constant dollar rate for the time being year, Japanese institutional investors hundreds of billions of dollars. September to reporting Joses or tors will no longer be as concerned

They conceded that some of the issue an environmental impact statement on the use of depleted

uranium on M-1 tanks, according

to Major Phil Soucy, an army

If Japanese investors have in-

dumping securities, which could about maintaining that dollar-yen Japanese investors walked away hurt the value of all investments.

"While depleted uranium has a low level of natural radiation." the Pentagon said, "our tests have confirmed that this material as installed in the Abrams will involve no appreciable health threat. You would receive less radiation sitting on the surface of that tank than you would receive when flying during a trans-Atlan-tic flight. Because of this low exposure, no special precautions are required when near the tank."

Major Soucy said the army is fabricating the depleted uranium components at classified facilities under a license issued by the Nu-clear Regulatory Commission. The armor plating and parts will arrive at General Dynamics plants in Detroit and Lima, Ohio, with the depleted uranium mesh already encased in steel.

The Pentagon would not reveal how much the armor would add to the cost of the M-1 tanks, which now cost \$2.6 million each. It said the armor would add some weight to the tank but not enough to keep it from achieving its maximum speed of 42 miles an hour (about 70 kilometers an hour). The army has installed a speed regulator to prevent drivers from exceeding

The army already has bought about 1,500 Ahrams M-1 tanks. It plans to put the depleted uranium armor on the next 3,000 produced but will not refit existing tanks.

The first M-1 tanks with the depleted uranium armor will arrive in Europe "late this year." the Pentagon said. The Pentagon would not disclose how many of these tanks are destined to go to Europe or what countries would receive them. It said there are about 2,500 versions of M-1 tanks in Europe and that they probably would be replaced eventually with the more survivable versions.

to buy as much as 30 to 40 percent

Last April, when interest rates rose,

from the Treasury market and thus

formed insurance company execu-

tives that for purposes of calculat-

ing the 15 percent loss, it would not

use the yen-dollar rate as of March

support could last all month and

the magic number might not neces-sarily be 127.

Arabs Go on Strike

Palestinian More Paralyzes Gaza And West Bank

By Alan Cowell

Ven York Times Service
JERUSALEM — A general strike by Palestinians who are protesting Israeli occupation para-lyzed the West Bank and the Gaza Strip on Tuesday, and two Pales-tinians were reported killed in a continuing revolt.

At least 88 Palestinians have been killed in an uprising that started on Dec. 9 and that in recent days has elicited increasing collective punishment of Palestinians for participating in various forms of pro-

[In Washington, Secretary of State George P. Shultz said he had been unable to bridge differences with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel over a U.S. plan for opening Middle East peace negoti-ations by May 1. The Associated

Press reported.
[But Mr. Shultz said that the first of three days of talks with Mr. Shamir had been constructive, "We feel encouraged to continue our efforts to work with Israel and others in the Middle East." he said.]

An Israeli military spokesman said Tuesday that a 10 P.M.-to-3 A.M. curfew on all 650,000 resi-dents of the Gaza Strip, decreed

Monday, would again be enforced.
"It will continue until there's a notice to the contrary," the spokesman said. The curfew was ordered after hundreds of Palestinians serving with the Israeli police in the occupied territories resigned in response to a demand from the shadowy, underground leadership of the revolt.

Additionally, Israeli authorities have ordered what seem to be ecovestors will be prohibited from this year, Japanese life insurance buying securities until the new fiscal year.

This year, Japanese life insurance sell stocks and bonds to avoid reporting such bonds to avoid reporting such that the new fiscal year.

This year, Japanese life insurance sell stocks and bonds to avoid reporting such bave to worry about reporting such losses? "Nobody knows the answer," Mr. Kreuger said.

As a result, investors suspect that 126.85 yea.

Investors in the 118. Treature. nomic sanctions against Palestinians, including a halt in fuel supplies to the West Bank. Investors in the U.S. Treasury life insurance companies have been deed been propping up the dollar, bond market are especially ner-beavy buyers of the dollar in the what happens when they stop? On vous, Japanese institutions are said

At the same time, the authorities have instituted new procedures, forcing Palestinians to seek permits to travel between the two chunks of occupied territories.

Most of the 60,000 laborers in the Gaza Strip who usually work in Israel stayed home on Tuesday. Public transportation in many came to a halt and, in scattered and sporadic violence, army patrols fought battles with protesters.

A military spokesman said that two persons had been shot and killed, but he added that the army was checking if the two Palestinians were killed by troops. Further clashes erupted in the

settlement of Qalqilya. Military See ISRAEL, Page 4

the final day of their fiscal year. In can markets for fear that their inpreparing for that event, these large vestments would be eroded. That means that if the dollar-yen buyers of U.S. stocks and bonds are slowing their purchases. And as against the yen because of a new early as Friday, some of these in-accounting technicality in Japan. They re trying desperately to Will they stop supporting the markets for fear that their in-below 127, said Donald M. Krueger, director of Japanese research at Wertheim, Schroder & stocks and bonds in which they be required to report their losses or they no longer to the final day of their fiscal year. In the final their in the dollar-yen dollar, which could lead to a serious plunge? Will they step the U.S. Some investors in the United States said they had been told that the formed in the final A Cabinet Feud Spices

British Tax-Cut Budget

By Howell Raines New York Times Service

LONDON - Britain's annual Budget Day, always a time of suspense in the House of Commons, arrived with an an extra fillip of drama this year because of a feud between Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and her chancellor of the exchequer, Nigel Lawson.

In a rowdy session, Mr. Lawson two decades.

announced a dramatic income-tax

But he has also awards the most affluent Britons a cut of 20 percentage points. Under the new system, the basic income tax rate will fall to 25 percent from 27 percent, and the top rate will fall from 60 percent to 40 ure in her government. percent. Intermediate tax brackets of 45, 50, and 55 percent for high earners will be chiminated.

The new 40-percent top rate will apply to people making more than £20,000 (\$35,700). Under the old system, the top rate of 60 percent applied to people making more than the equivalent of \$72,600.

There is no question that Mr. Lawson and Mrs. Thatcher are in full agreement on what he called his "radical tax-reforming budget." But this fact was almost overshadowed by nucertainty over-whether an unresolved dispute with the prime minister over monetary policy could lead to his resignation

soon after submitting a budget in-tended to place him in the first rank of postwar chancellors.

cal year.

But most important, the approaching deadline has put an arti-

ficial prop under the dollar-yen re-

As architect of five previous Thatcher budgets, Mr. Lawson has won a reputation as a budgetary genius for his ability to cut taxes while reducing inflation to its present 3.3 percent and giving Britain its first balanced budget in almost

But he has also established himsimplification plan. It reduces the self as the only member of the number of rates in Britain's complex tax code from six to two. It up to Mrs. Thatcher. Now, there is a question of whether Downing Street, where they live in adjoining government townhouses, is big enough for both the prime minister and the second most powerful fig-Since last Thursday, Thatcher

and Lawson aides have been engaged in a battle of leaks over who would have control over monetary policy, a question brought to head when the pound surged against the dollar and mark.

In the House of Commons last week, Mrs. Thatcher rejected intervention in the markets, through selling pounds or reducing interest rates, as a way of making the pound less attractive to investors and speculators. This was widely interpreted as a slap at Mr. Lawson, who favors an informal policy of See BRITAIN, Page 4



PANAMA HOSPITAL ATTACKED — A man carried his daughter out of the Social Security Hospital in Panama City on Tuesday after it was attacked by troops during protests. Page 2.

'87 U.S. Trade Deficit Surged to \$160 Billion

Compiled by Our Stall From Depatches \$160.7 billion in 1987, although the co. shortfall in the fourth quarter was slightly narrower than in the third, the government reported Tuesday. the current-account delicit was the third quarter. 13.7 percent bigger last year than the previous record of \$141.4 bil-

lion set in 1986. Current account covers the flow of merchandise across the U.S. border as well as the flow of services. primarily investment earnings, between countries.

The 1987 figures confirmed the nation's status as the world's leading debtor country. Being a net debtor means that foreigners own more in U.S. investments than Americans hold in foreign invest-

Private economists estimated Tuesday that the United States now owes \$400 billion more to the rest of the world more than it is

Compiled by Our Staff From Departmen owed by other countries. That fig-WASHINGTON — The deficit ure is greater than the combined in the broadest measure of U.S. debt of the next three largest debtor foreign trade grew to a record nations. Canada, Brazil and Mexi-

The only bright spot in the 1987 current account was a narrowing in the deficit in the fourth quarter, to The Commerce Department said \$39 billion, from \$43.4 billion in

The Commerce Department said that the value of service transactions alone shifted in the last quarter to net receipts of \$5.59 billion from net payments of \$152 million in the third. The third-quarter figure was a revision from the previously reported net payment level of

The department said the shift in services resulted from a surge in income from direct U.S. investment abroad, largely reflecting capital gains due to the decline in the value of the dollar, especially against the yen and Deutsche

The narrowing of the fourth-quarter deficit also reflected a smaller shortfall in merchandise

Although the United States has run deficits in merchandise trade for 16 of the past 17 years, the current account was in surplus as recently as 1981 as Americans' earnings on overseas investments were enough to offset the merchan-

But since that time Americans have handed over billions of dollars to foreigners in exchange for imported goods. With all of that wealth now in foreign hands, the perennial advantage the United States has had in investments has

The United States, which had last been a net debtor in 1914, regained that status in 1985 with a total foreign debt of \$111.9 billion. That debt grew to \$263.6 billion at the end of 1986.

Although economists estimated the new total at \$400 billion, the See TRADE, Page 19

In Niger, West Works to Hold Line Against Libya

By James Brooke

New York Times Service NIAMEY, Niger — A mile-long U.S.-built airstrip in the Sahara and an \$8million Libyan People's Bureau rising in solved Nov. 10 when Seyni Kountche, Nithis capital symbolize new jockeying for influence in Niger, in the middle of West immor in Paris. Over the years, President Komatehe had compiled a list of countries. Africa.

For over a decade, the United States and France holstered the defenses of this thinly populated desert land, hoping to block expansion by Libya, a northern neighbor... of Niger. The effort paid off last year, when Niger's neutrality gave neighboring Chad a free hand to expel a Libyan occupation

In contrast, Libya has become the prime arms supplier for the Sudan, on Chad's eastern flank. The Sudan is now a major lannching area for Libyan attacks on Chad. Last week, in the largest clash since Chad and Libya accepted a cease-fire in

Western complaisance about Niger dis-solved Nov. 10 when Seyni Kountché, Ni-Kountché had compiled a list of complaints against Libya's leader, Colonel Moammar Gadhafi.

In the 1980s, Libya broadcast appeals, inciting Niger's Tuareg and Hausa tribesmen to revolt. At the time Abdoulage Diori, the eldest son of a deposed president of Niger, lived in Tripoli where he reportedly headed a Libyan-financed exile group, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Niger. In 1985, Tuareg rebels affiliated with the group attacked a desert outpost of

Niger, Tshin-Tabaradene. Relations between the two countries withered and work stopped on the con-

Kountché, the Libyans began what one European diplomat called "a charm offensive." The Libyans sent their foreign minister to President Kountche's funeral, were host to Niger's foreign minister in Tripoli, and invited Niger's new president, Colonel Ali Seybou, to visit.

In Niamey, construction resumed on the Libyan embassy and the Libya-Niger Friendship Club was revived. In Tripoli, the Libyans promised to disband the Niger rebel group and to pay a decade-old debt of \$7.4 million owed for a shipment of uranium from Niger.

With this impoverished country of six million people, the temptation is great to get along with its wealthy northern neigh-bor. According to the World Bank. Niger has the 10th-lowest recorded per capita

September, Chadian troops reportedly killed 20 Libyan soldiers who had entered Chad from the Sudan.

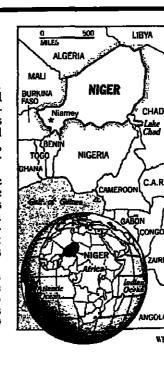
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struction of an imposing new Libyan People's Burean, or embassy, in Niamey. But seeing opportunity in the death of Mr. "We are following a policy of good neighbors, and we didn't choose our neigh-bors," Niger's minister of foreign affairs and cooperation, Mahamat Sani Bako, said in an interview. "We want to live in peace, but we also know what is Gadhafi's philosophy, his instinct for domination."

To prevent Niger from following in the path of the Sudan, Western countries have established close links with the country's armed forces. The United States and West Germany virtually created Niger's 100man air force. Drawing on ties dating back to the French colonial era, France supplies and trains Niger's 4,000-man army.

The most striking example of Western commitment to Niger was the \$3.2-million renovation by the United States of an airstrip at Dirkou, a Saharan oasis 180 miles (300 kilometers) west of Chad and 280

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Even Soviet Prosecutor Says Azerbaijan Riots Constituted 'Pogroms'

MOSCOW - A senior Soviet Armenian republic. law official said gangs of youths hunting Armenians committed "terrible crimes" in the Azerbaijan city of Sumgait last month, according to a newspaper reaching Moscow on Tuesday.

The deputy prosecutor-general, Alexander Katusev, in a clear reference to the ethnic nature of the violence in Azerbaijan, used the word "pogroms" to described the riots in Sumeait.

"In Sumgait," Mr. Katusev told the Azerbaijani Communist Party newspaper Bakinsky Rabochy, "there were massive disorders, accompanied by pogroms, arson and other outrage

The word was also used recently by a member of the unofficial publishing collective Glasnost, who after visiting Sumgait said that witnesses called the violence there a "horrifying pogrom." But previous official accounts of the incidents on Feb. 28, in which police say 32 people died, have avoided any specific reference to their racial character. Unofficial reports have put the death toll at more than 350.

Mr. Katusev said that the perpetrators were being hunted down by the "most severe penalties."

Analysts said the use of the term 'pogrom" — a Russian word originally used to describe the organized massacre of Jews in the old Czarist Empire — marked a new stage in official reports of the upheaval.

Accounts gathered by Moscow dissidents who have traveled to the area suggest the rioters committed atrocities against Armenians, in-cluding the murder and mutilation of pregnant women.

Mr. Katusev gave no details of the violence, which has only been other medical workers were sparsely reported in the Moscow media. But he said there had been a number of cases during the riots when Azerbaijanis sought to pro-

In his interview, in the newspa-shot into the lobby and upper per's March 12 edition, he said floors of the building, and some most of the rioters were young people, including teen-agers.

Armenians demonstrated to de-mand that Nagorno-Karabakh, a The violence erupte predominately Armenian region of Noriega's cash-starved government the legal currency of Panama.

■ Gorbachev Honors Tito Mikhail S. Gorbachev stood at the grave of Tito on Tuesday, paying tribute to the man who broke ties with Moscow and put Yugoslavia on a economic path similar to the one the Soviet leader seeks to follow now, The Associated Press reported from Belgrade.

Mr. Gorbachev also agreed to a declaration with Yugoslav leaders that is expected to establish a new basis for relations between Moscow and Belgrade, which broke with the Soviet bloc in 1948.

The declaration incorporates revious documents from the 1950s, when Nikita S. Khrushchev mended relations with Tito. Mr. Gorbachev is the first Soviet leader to visit since Leonid I. Brezhnev attended Tito's funeral in 1980. In talks Monday with Yugoslav leaders, the Soviet representatives stressed that no Communist country has an absolute model for building socialism, Vadim Loginov, the Soviet deputy foreign minister,



Mikhail S. Gorbachev, accompanied by his wife, Raisa, laying a wreath Tuesday at Tito's grave.

a special force of law officers and police investigators and would face Noriega Troops Attack Hospital to Quell Protest Noriega Troops Attack Hospital to Protest

By Larry Rohter New York Times Service PANAMA - Units of the Panamanian Defense Forces attacked the country's largest hospital on Tuesday after doctors and nurses who had not been paid took to the

streets demanding their paychecks and the overthrow of General Manuel Antonie Noriega, the country's military leader. At least 23 doctors, nurses and wounded or injured in the three-

hour skirmish, which ended when heavily-armed military forces Troops fired tear gas and birdshot into the lobby and upper patients had to be evacuated from

their rooms after they were envel-The Sumgait riots started after oped by gas and rounds of birdshot

government employees. In other parts of the capital,

teachers demanding to be paid were dispersed by not police, and electrical, telephone and water workers began staging slowdowns. In Colon, a major port town at the Caribbean entrance of the Panama Canai, store owners said that

ken into some grocery stores and

made off with food. Panama's economy has been sliding toward collapse since March 3, when the government acknowledged it could not meet its financial obligations and ordered

With no money to back government checks, doctors and other The violence erupted as General be paid in U.S. dollars, which are

all banks to close.

3,000 employees and 900 patients, began shortly after 9 A.M. Angry at not being paid on Monday, med-ical personnel blocked the Trans-Isthmus Highway, the main thoroughfare linking the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of Panama.

A Defense Force detachment arrived on the scene, accompanied by groups of hungry people had bro- an armored vehicle, mounted with two water cannons. The cannons began firing a blue spray mixture of water and pepper gas at the hospi-

The doctors and nurses were driven back, but instead of dispersing, they retreated behind the walls of the hospital grounds and began firing rocks and bottles.

■ Noriega Funds Blocked In related developments Tuesday reported by The Associated Press:

was unable for the second consecutive day to meet payroll obligations for the country's more than 140,000 ministrations, which has more than 140,000 ministrations. iega's government from withdrawing up to \$50 million on deposit in U.S. banks, Reuters reported.

hoping the date for the withdrawal of the Soviet forces will stay un-changed are greatly mistaken." Mr. District Judge Lloyd MacMahon issued the injunction at the request of the deposed president, Eric Ar-turo Delvalle.

reasimov sad.

Pakistan's deputy foreign minister, Zian Nooran, reported only "marginal progress" at Tuesday's negotiating session but made it clear that the talks would go on. Pakistan negotiates on behalf of • Panama ordered a U.S. diplomat out of the country within 48 the Afghan nationalist guerrillas, or mujahidin, who are battling the Moscow-backed Communist gov-ernment in Kabul and the Soviet hours. The Foreign Ministry said Terrence Kneebone, head of the public relations office at the U.S. Embassy, was expelled because his functions in Panama were incomforces helping its army.
Diego Cordóvez, the UN underpatible with his diplomatic work."

The State Department in Washington refused to accept the expulsion order on grounds it was not issued by the government of Mr.

Delvalle, whom Washington regards as Panama's legitimate leaders.

ments, described March 15 as an important date for the Soviet Union, although he said it was never a real deadline for a peace agreement.

Deadline WORLD BRIEFS **Passes With Afghanistan**

Talks Stalled

By Paul Lewis

New York Times Service

Moscow for an agreement ending

the Afghan war and allowing the

withdrawal of the 115,000 or so

Soviet soldiers fighting in Afghani-

stan expired Tuesday with peace talks deadlocked over late demands

by Pakistan and the Reagan ad-

the United States of delaying a

peace accord and warned that the

onger the Geneva talks drag on the

bachev, the Soviet leader, originally

suggested March 15 as the target

date for signing a peace agreement in Geneva and said Moscow would

then start pulling out its troops 60 days later, on May 15.

Now, he warned, the pullout might be delayed. "Those who ex-

pect they may continue evading the

conclusion of agreements while

But he acknowledged that the negotiations had run into "serious difficulties."

The Afghan foreign minister Abdul Wakil, who canceled a

scheduled press conference cartier Tuesday, left the afternoon session

Despite efforts to play down the significance of the deadlock, diplo-

mats and other observers say the March 15 date had become an im-

portant psychological deadline. Only a week ago, for example,

the Afghan foreign minister said a peace agreement was nearly ready.

for signature. Mr. Cordovez said at

tal" differences remained between

States and the Soviet Union, pro-

But signing the agreement is being held up by two other disputes, both of which have only recently

emerged as serious obstacles to the

tions on forming a broad-based co-

At the same time, the Reagan administration says it will not suspend military assistance to the mu-

ahidin as the draft peace treaty

supports it.
The Kabul regime refuses to negotiate its own disappearance at the Geneva peace talks by accept-ing the Pakistani demand for an

The second major difficulty

holding up agreement relates to the Reagan administration's sudden

demand for "symmetry" in the cut-

off of military supplies to the two

The Soviet Union and Kabul in-

terpret the pledge of noninterfer-ence in Afghanistan's internal af-

fairs that is contained in the draft

peace treaty as meaning the United

States must cease military supplies

to the mujahidin when the accord is

signed. To prevent this leaving the guerrillas at a military disadvan-

tage, the United States has already insisted on "front loading" the So-

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cials say the United States is now

asking Moscow to end all military

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accord, officials say.

Gerasimov said.

peace talks will continue.

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GENEVA - The date set by

Iran Says Iraqi Air Attacks Killed 76

NICOSIA (Reuters) — Iran said that Iraqi sir raids killed store than 76
persons in more than 12 cities on Tuesday. It also reported heav

retaliation with bomb, missile and artillery attacks.

The Tehran radio, monitored in Nicosia, said the dead included 1 persons who were killed in an Iraqi air raid on a school in the southwes town of Alashtar. The radio reported 21 Iranian air raids on Iraqi troop and economic and military installations and said Iraqi targets close to the border were bombarded with missiles and artillery.

retaliatory attacks "will continue until the complete halt of Iragi strikes on our country's residential, nonmittary and economic areas." Telegradio said that targets of the Iragi air raids included Khomein, the home town of Ayatoliah Ruhollah Khomeini, 160 miles (250 kilometers).

3 Ex-Uzbek Officials Commit Suicide

Negotiators sought to play down the significance of the deadlock, MOSCOW (Renters) — Three former senior officials in the Urbel Republic, who were accused of taking bribes in a widespread comprise scandal, have killed themselves, the newspaper Komsomolskaya Pranch saying Moscow never intended March 15 to be a serious deadline for ending the eight-year-long con-

flict and stressing that the Geneva In a report on a five-year police investigation, the newspaper said for former top Communist Party secretaries in the Central Asian republic, a In Moscow, Gennadi I. Gerasiwell as former Prime Minister Narmakhonmadi Khudayberdyev and mov, the Soviet Foreign Ministry former vice president, had been arrested and were awaiting trial. spokesman, accused Pakistan and

The report identified the officials who killed themselves as a resine interior minister, Kndrat Ergashev, his first deputy, G. Davydov, and Ruzinet Gaipov, a regional party chief. They were linked with Shanel Rashidov, Uzbek party chief from 1959 until his death in 1983, who presented by the control of the control longer Soviet troops will stay in Afghanistan. He recalled that Mikhail S. Gorreports have suggested was behind a vast network of corruption.

Violence Mars Colombia's Local Polls

BOGOTA (NYT) - Colombia's first municipal elections, planned as a way of enticing leftist guerrillas to abandon decades of insurgency and accept the rules of democracy, have been overshadowed by extreming

violence and marked by low voter turnout.

The main target of the violence was the leftist Patriotic Union, which has seen 29 of its 87 mayoralty candidates and more than 100 of its candidates for manicipal councillor killed in the six months preceding According to preliminary results, the Patriotic Union won only 14 of

1,009 mayoralties. Most of the races were won by the two traditional parties, with the opposition Conservative Party achieving an important victory over the governing Liberal Party by taking the mayoralties of Bogota and Medellin, the two largest cities.

Gemayel Invites Any Hostage Kescue

BEIRUT (NYT) - President Amin Gemayel of Lebanon says Western governments are welcome to come and rescue any of their citizens held hostage in his country.

In an interview with a French radio station, the president said if Western governments could not agree to the demands of the kidnappers they should take a tough line as the Soviet Union did in 1985 when three of its nationals were captured and quickly released in mainly Moslen secretary-general who acts as medi-

ator in the negotiations between the Pakistan and Afghan govern-Mr. Gemayel, whose statements were rebroadcast Tuesday by Lebsnese radio stations, repeated that the locations where more than 20 Western nationals are held are known. But he did not specify where the ments, described March 15 as an

TRAVEL UPDATE

Moscow Warns Inefficient Hotels

MOSCOW (AFP) — The Soviet state tourist agency Intourist will impose economic sanctions against hotels and restaurants that provide poor service to tourists, the Intourist president, Vladimir Y. Pavlov, said

In an interview with the Communist Party daily Pravda, Mr. Pavlor said Intourist hotels or restaurants that received complaints from tourist risked being downgraded or could be fined 5 percent of their earnings.

Discussing the tourist industry in the Soviet Union, Mr. Pavlov said the country suffered from a lack of hotel space, although he said this was being remedied with the construction of 30 new hotels nationwide. He also said the industry suffered from low salaries, which failed to motivate

the same time that no "fundamenhotel and restaurant staffs, and out-of-date management structures. Heavy snow in East Germany is disrupting road and rail traffic in the the two sides, who were divided only by what he called "modalities southern part of the country. An East Berlin newspaper, Berliner Zeitm said Tuesday that some roads in the Marienburg region had been closed and that rail service in mountainous areas had been disrunted. (Reuters)

would be guaranteed by the United Rail passengers in northern Japan were left stranded Tuesday for more than three hours by a power failure in the 37-mile-long (60-kilometer-long) Scikan Tunnel, the world's longest undersea tunnel. The rail vides for the return of the roughly long) Seikan Tunnel, the world's longest undersea tunnel. The rail five million Afghan refugees who authority said it was investigating the outage. Six trains have been have sought safety in Pakistan and stopped by faulty fire detectors since the tunnel opened to trains for the first time on Sunday. The tunnel links Japan's largest island, Honsin, with Hokkaido, the northernmost main island.

(AP)

Seamen working for the British ferry company P&O decided Tuesday to continue their six-week strike despite being handed dismissal notices

First, Pakistan is linking its About 1,200 pilots and crew members of state-run TAP Air-Portugal and agreement to progress in what it its charter unit, Air Atlantis, have called a one-day strike for March 28 to calls the "second track" negotiaprotest planned changes in the labor laws, a union spokesman stident and the second track of the seco Tuesday in Lisbon. The spokesman said about 30 international and domestic flights would be disrupted. SATA, a semi-private airline in the

alition to take power from the Kabul regime of Major General Najib as the Soviets withdraw. Azores Islands, is also expected to take part. Indian Arrests Continue requires, unless Moscow also stops its military aid to the Kabul gov-emment and the Afghan Army that In Nationwide Walkout

By Sanjoy Hazarika
New York Times Service

NEW DELHI - Thousands of opposition politicians, trade union aders and other activists were arrested Tuesday during a daylong nationwide work stoppage called by opposition groups seeking to

force the resignation of Prime Min-ister Rajiv Gandhi's government.

Officials said that about 3,000
persons were held, many of them
under preventive detention laws, swelling the total number of detainees since the arrests began last. Saturday to more than 23,000. Most of those detained could be released Wednesday, the officials

Reports said that the strike appeared to be most effective in the major cities, save for New Delhi. Schools and markets were closed, bank and insurance operations slowed, main stock exchanges halted, and international and domestic But under pressure from conser- flights and long-distance trains

were delayed. It appeared to substantially slow, but not stop, economic activity and government functioning. Indian officials described the re-

help for the Afghan Army at the same time as the United States cuts ruling Congress (I) Party as "par-tial." Members of Mr. Gandhi's party control 17 of India's 29 states and union territories.

supporters and opponents of the gency, which can be used to curb protest, as well as street battles fundamental rights and freedoms with police, were reported, but was killed and five wounded in a protest, fight between leftist demonstrators

the strike a success and said it was the largest in more than six years. Indian officials said it was largely peaceful, and very effective in at least five opposition-controlled

"The response has been most in-

pressive because of the repressiv

measures taken by this government to prevent the strike," said Chandra Shekhar, the president of the Peoples Party, which was a sponsor of the strike Mr. Shekhar was referring to the

thousands of preventive arrests, especially from the southern state of Tamil Nadu, which reported the largest number of such detentions -at least 19,000, allegedly of petty thugs and some junior political

The confrontation between Mr. Gandhi and the opposition took a sharper turn Tuesday after the federal government passed a constitutional amendment in Parliament empowering it to declare a state of emergency in the state of Punjab because of internal disturbances

Punjab has been shaken for more than six years by a terrorist Sikh sponse in those states run by the independence movement in which thousands have died. Since May, it has been directly ruled by New Delhi

The legislative move increases A number of clashes between the scope of a declaration of eme-

The opposition denounced the these appeared to be minor. In the move as authoritarian and walked most serious incident, one person out of the legislative chamber in

Organizers of the nationwide and police in the eastern state of work stoppage said there had been work stoppage said there had been millioner of the patients that they millions of participants, but they Opposition leaders proclaimed could not offer specific figures.



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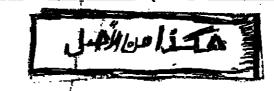


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Senate Cuts Gephardt's ttacks killed Retaliatory Trade Plan

By Stuart Auerbach Washington Past Service

. .. WASHINGTON - Senate conferees considering a major trade bill have dropped the Gephardt amendment, which required retalintory measures, and the House is likely to consider the same provision later this week.

The Senate action Monday was Ca) milit Shi expected. It had been put on this week to avoid embarrassing the oversidential campaign of Representations. presidential campaign of Representative Richard A. Gephardt, Sentative Richard A. Organical Democrat of Missouri, the amendment's sponsor. His faltering cambridge a last-ditch effort

panga in Tuesday's litmos.

House conferees are expected to take up the amendment Thursday.

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most controversial section of the trade bill, would force retaliation against nations that gain large trade surpluses with the Unitedtrade surpuses was States through unfair means.

States through unfair means.

It formed the centerpiece of Mr.

Gephardt's presidential bid and helped carry him to a strong victory in lows and a second place finish in New Hampshire. The campaign fizzled on "Super Thesday" in the South. -South

Instead of the Gephardt amend-the facts ment, the Senate conferees offered their own provision, which is contheir own provision, which is compared to the administration to th istration. It requires retaliation against unfair trade practices, but does not base retainance with the United States.

Mr. Gephardt's aides, seemingly
seeking to put the best possible face
on the Senate action, said that it
was no surprise. "We are confident was no surprise. We are confirmed that whatever emerges from the conference will be a new and forceful policy to open foreign markets. and the Orephanus amounts the helped pave the way," a spokesman, Mark Johnson, said.

The Senate also met another manual and the Gephardt amendment

jor administration complaint by dropping from the bill a list of practices — including export campaigns aimed at specific U.S. inconcession to the administration," said Senator Lloyd Beatsen, Democrat of Texas, chairman of the

Senate conferees. House and Senate conferees. working to get action on the broad trade bill, agreed late last month to drop a number of sections from the bill that the administration found most objectionable. These mea-sures, characterized as protectionist, would have set import quotas on lamb, have given a few sugar on lamb, have given a few sugar refiners millions of dollars in cus- And a 'Significant Breakthrough' suits for customs fraud.

French Police Arrest a 'Hacker'

*. * ***** *** *** PARIS — French policemen said Tuesday that they were ques-tioning a West German computer "hacker" who has acknowledged breaking into top-security U.S. and European computer data banks last year.

The West German, Steffen Wernery, and a compatriot, Hans Gliss, a journalist, were detained by detectives in Paris late Monday at a

hours later.

The police said Mr. Wernery, copresident of the Chaos Computer Club in Hamburg, had been wanted for questioning since last year, including local subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings over the theft of computer data. French policemen raided Chaos offices in Subsidiaries of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings of Philips and NEC, started legal process of Philips and NEC, started legal proceedings o Chaos offices in September and re-portedly collected evidence against the club, but under West German law they were unable to detain Mr. ·Wernery.

in Belging of field each district. The woing-age population of Mr. Rodino's district was 54 percent black in 1980, according to the 1980, census. in Belgium, officials said Tuesday. according to the 1980 census.



Opponents of the death penalty in Gainesville, Florida, holding a candlelight vigil the night before Willie Darden's execution.

Democrat Wants 'Smoke' in the Process

By R.W. Apple Jr. New York Times Service CHICAGO — None of the presidential candidates, says Newton N. Minow, "utters a word that lifts your heart, and the system we're using to choose among them is a serious mistake that's steadily get-

ting worse."
What is needed, Mr. Minow, a Chicago lawyer, said in an interview Monday on the eve of the Illinois primary, is a return to the old system of competitive conven-tions rather than relying on primaries and cancuses to choose nominees who are then merely approved by ceremonial conventions.

Where others, like Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts, sneer at "brokered conventions" as a device that keeps the public out, Mr. Minow welcomes them, using the term "open conventions," which he says he thinks brings in the party's and the nation's inter-

Mr. Minow, 62, has been watching conventions for a long time. A Democrat, he attended his party's gatherings in 1952, 1956 and 1960 as an assistant to Adlai E. Stevenson; in 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 process was a sham, and I've been actly the same, determined by a can be."

congressional districts.

Federal Communications Commis- opens in Atlanta in July, Mr. candidate as good as those prosion from 1961 to 1963, coining the Minow for one would welcome a duced by the last conventions he son from 1901 to 1903, coming the Minow for one would welcome a discent by the last conventions he epithet "vast wasteland" to deretum to bargaining in a proverbiscible U.S. television. But he is one ally smoke-filled room — a room, the ones in Chicago in 1952 that of those people who seems to be wrote in The Chicago Tribume nominated Mr. Stevenson and involved in every field.

| Minow for one would welcome a discent by the last conventions he considers to have been truly open: the ones in Chicago in 1952 that nominated Mr. Stevenson and involved in every field.

In the last 25 years, he has served norities join the men as equal partinstitutions as various as the Mayo ners, with participation of people clinic and the Chicago Symphony, of all ages, with diverse interests dulging in that most beloved of old the University of Notre Dame and and from different parts of the napoliticians' pastimes, nostalgia? the Jewish Theological Seminary of tion."

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Perhaps for that reason, he says he believes presidential nomine ought to be chosen by conventions representing the various constituencies important to a successful presidency: Congress, state govern-ment, business, the foreign policy establishment and so on. That would mean fewer primaries, different primaries or none at all, he says, and less direct public participation, but he defends such "unemocratic" ideas as perfectly val-

"What I'm talking about is representative, rather than direct participatory, democracy," Mr. Minow said. "We elect people to Congress instead of conducting naman, Mark Johnson, said.

The Senate also met another masaid: "I concluded that the whole we think that senators and contional referenda on issues because gressmen can spend more time on rying ever since to get some mo-legislation than we can. By the mentum for change. The delegate same token, I want convention delnow has no real chance to use his or egates to be people who collectively dustries — as grounds for unfair her judgment. They could stay are better judges of the potential trade complaints. That is a major home, and the result would be expressidents than the average voter

> If no one has amassed a majority Only once has Mr. Minow held of the delegate votes (or something high public office. He headed the close to one) before the convention

> > CAMPAIGN BRIEFS

CHICAGO (AP) — The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson predicted victory and a "significant breakthrough" in the Illinois presidential primary, which began with a light turnout on Tuesday, and Vice President George Bush said he wondered what was keeping his rival for the Republican nomination, Senator Bob Dole, in the race.

"I'm not sure I understand what he's doing," Mr. Bush said during a final campaign swing in the state, where polls forecast a landslide victory

But both Mr. Dole and Pat Robertson were insisting they were staying in the race, though Mr. Robertson, a former television evangelist, said he

"llinois voters express their presidential preference in a non-binding "beauty contest" and also elect convention delegates. It is possible a candidate to do well in the popular vote, but lose out in the contest for delegates to a contender who has stronger slates filed in the state's 22

Democrats' Chairman Making Plans

CHICAGO (AF) — The Democratic Party chairman, Paul Kirk, suggested Monday that he would try to rally uncommitted delegates to the party's presidential nominating convention behind whichever candi-

WASHINGTON (LAT) — Representative Peter W. Rodino Jr., a leading civil rights advocate who also was charman of the impeachment hearings of President Richard M. Nixon, bowed to the demands of minority constituents in his heavily black district in New Jersey on

Monday and announced that he would not seek a 21st term in the

Mr. Rodino, 78, a Democrat who is one of the oldest members of the

House and chairman of its Judiciary Committee, said that he would leave

would re-evaluate his status if he got less than 5 percent of the vote.

Jackson Predicts Victory in Illinois

Still Maintaining Innocence, Man Is Executed in Florida exposure to the defoliant Agent Or- Early Tuesday, about 40 protest-STARKE, Florida — Willie Jasange subjected him to harrowing ers gathered in a pasture across flashbacks and led to the slaving.

per Darden, 54, who maintained his innocence through 14 years on death row and became the focus of an international debate on capital punishment, was executed Tuesday

in the electric chair. Mr. Darden was convicted of fatally shooting a Lakeland business-

for which I was arrested and this morning I tell you I am not guilty execution. of the charge for which I am about to be executed," Mr. Darden said led by the London-based human of the charge for which I am about in a final statement to 30 witnesses. rights group Amnesty Internationconscience. I bear no guilt. I'm at an alibi and that statements from

He was declared dead after 2,000 the murder. volts of electricity flowed through

his body for two minutes. Mr. Darden's case attracted worldwide attention, including pleas for clemency by the Soviet dissident Andrei D. Sakharov and other human rights activists. They said Mr. Darden was railroaded tim was white.

der of a policeman.

Mr. Felde, 38, a Vietnam veter
Jackson, the actress Margot Kidder "The past," he replied, "is not an, said that postcombat stress and and others.

The last time more than one inmate was executed on the same day in the United States was Aug. 28, rupted an attempt at sexual assault when murderers were put to death in Florida, Alabama and Utah.

Mr. Darden was the 96th person executed in the United States since old employee of the store was shot man, James C. Turman, after rob- the Supreme Court restored capital bing Mr. Turman's wife of \$15 in punishment in 1976. Only Howard September 1973.

V. Douglas, who has been on death row in Florida since December

go this morning with a clear al, have said that Mr. Darden had peace with myself, with the world, two persons supported his claim with each of you. God bless you." that he could not have committed

About a dozen people demon-strated Monday outside the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm, urging that Mr. Darden's sentence be commut-

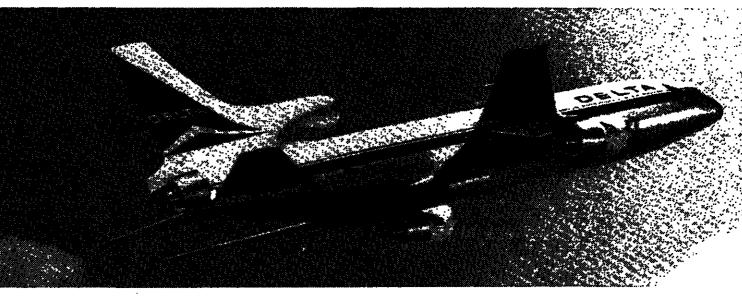
The U.S. Supreme Court, the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, a federal judge and the state Subecause he was black and the vic-preme Court rejected Mr. Darden's appeals. Fils only hope was a re prieve from Governor Bob Marti Earlier Tuesday, Wayne Robert prieve from Governor Bob Marti-Felde was executed by electrocu-tion in Louisiana for the 1978 mur-kharov, the Democratic

On Sept. 8, 1973, James Carl Turman was killed after he interagainst his wife, Helen, whom the attacker had just robbed at the Turmans' furniture store. A 16-yearand permanently disabled when he tried to help Mr. Turman. Mrs. Turman and a neighbor, who was also wounded in the incident, identified Mr. Darden as the killer.

Police and prosecutors said Mr. Darden was the prime suspect in at least five other slavings committed during his furloughs from the Avon Park Correctional Institution in



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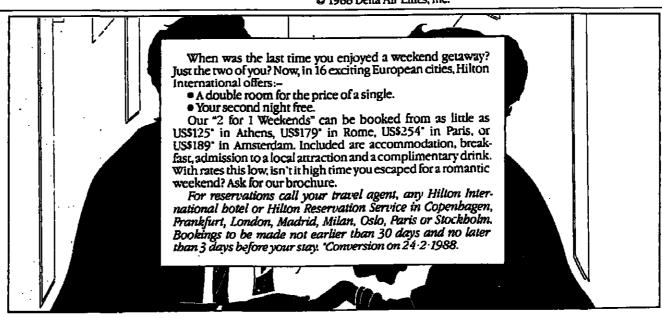


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Air Fare Rise in U.S. to Hurt Businessmen, Among Others

By Agis Salpukas
New York Times Service

NEW YORK - The full coach fares that business travelers normally pay on flights inside the United States went up sharply on Tuesday on many routes, and many less restrictive discount fares used by them are ending.

U.S. Study Warns Of Lack of Ozone

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The protective ozone layer over the United States appears to have depleted by about 2.3 percent since 1969, scientists said Tuesday in the most thorough study yet of the problem. Experts have estimated that a 1percent depletion could mean a 5percent to 6-percent increase in

The scientists laid the responsibility squarely on chlorofluorocarbons, chemicals used to power some aerosol sprays.

The report was prepared by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
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The magnitude of the changes — criticism of the industry and bring only now beginning to be realized calls for re-regulation of air travel. even by airline and travel industry

In general, the major airlines executives - will lead to whopping increases on many routes for people who cannot plan far enough ahead to take advantage of heavily restricted discount fares.

The cost of flying between New York and Houston, for example, will jump for many travelers from \$195 to \$395 one way. That reflects are limination of a \$195 discount are likely to produce sharply higher fare available only on a limited number of seats, as well as an increase in the full coach fare, to \$395 of a series of rises put through last from \$295.

The impact of the increases has industry's ability to avoid the pro-not yet been felt by the corpora-longed systemwide price wars of tions and people who pay for the past years.

'They won't see it until people count fares used by business travelstart filing expense accounts," said ers. But even where they remain in H. Wayne Berens, the head of Revere Travel, a New Jersey travel routes, for example - they will go agency with large corporate ac-

The fare increases and the elimination of some discount fares were number of seats on each flight announced earlier this month by what the industry calls a capacity-Continental Airlines, a subsidiary of the Texas Air Corp. Within days, most major carriers matched the

be little change, either because Continental does not fly there or The fare moves leave few choices for people who must travel on short

This is probably the most important pricing change since the Supersaver fares were introduced some years ago," said Julius Mal-dutis, an airline industry analyst with Salomon Brothers.

The latest increases reflect how the airline industry's ability to increase fares has risen dramatically in the last year. Mergers have created huge airlines that dominate most of the nation's markets - a half-dozen carriers control 90 percent of the traffic — while discount carriers have either gone out of business, like People Express, or changed their tactics.

The sharply higher fares put into effect simultaneously by major competitors are certain to revive

For Cancer Victim, 13, Record Comes Post-Haste

By Warren Getler SUTTON COLDFIELD, Enaland — When mail arrives for Mario Morby, a 13-year-old can-

cer victim, it comes by the truck-

This week, the local post office said it would be delivering 40 bags stuffed with postcards, sending the total of cards so far sent to Mario to well over 500,000. He will be mentioned in the 1988 Guinness Book of Records as having received more cards than

anyone else — a new category. He doesn't know exactly how many cards he has received. "I've lost track; it may be on its way to 1 million," said Mario, who is in remission in his bout with rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare form of cancer, after undergoing exten-sive chemotherapy since Decem-

ber 1985. In the past two weeks, more than 250,000 postcards have arrived from places as far away as Tokyo, New York and New Zealand, in part because an appeal in Mario's behalf turned up in a classified advertisement in the International Herald Tribune.

"It's almost become a night-mare; the postcards are taking over our lives," said Anna Morby, Mario's mother. "The cards are lovely but they really have to

Mario's father, David, shaking his head in amazement at the overflowing sacks of unsorted mail in his garage, said: "We've had two rough years with Mario, whose cancer seems to have gone into remission just a couple of months ago, and we desperately want to get back to some form of

normalcy."
The boy and his father, a stone-

Mario Morby gets a kiss from sister Elena, 7, as he sorts a batch of his cards. Britain, and some extremely elab- would like to start a drive to beorate cards from Japan. Six months ago, while a patient

at the Birmingham hospital with what doctors said was a 50 percent chance of survival. Mario they think might sell at auctions beginning in May.

Particularly in demand are antique cards, collected by many in charity. She asked Mario if he saved his life," Mr. Morby said.

come the greatest postcard recipient ever, and in so doing get his name in the record book.

The Morbys welcomed the idea. and decided that it would also be The campaign began with an article about him in the local newspaper that produced a ripple effect throughout the world. The article said that a 12-year-old local boy was seeking a place in the Guinness record book for the most postcards received and was determined to raise cash for cancer research. It said nothing about

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the boy's baving cancer himself. The initial campaign was a success. By December, Mario had received 147,944 postcards, mostly from Britain. He was awarded the record certificate by the Guinness people in January. The campaign seemed to be over, although

a few late postcards — about 60,000 — trickled in. But then, about two weeks ago. the cards began flowing in again, A school in Luton that had offered to help the campaign was so heavily bombarded with mail for the boy in the past two weeks that it was nearly forced to shut down.

Somehow, as the message began to be relayed around the world, Mario became known as 'David" and his condition was described as "dying of cancer with less than a month to live."

That message, which to the de-light of his parents was inaccurate, circulated in many ways, via telexes between multinational companies, overtrans-Atlantic computer networks and in classified advertisements.

Now, Mario would like things to settle down so he could concentrate on what other boys his age do, such as a little disco-dancing, swimming and helping his youn-ger sister with her homework. Last week, participating in a charity event he swam 20 laps in the local pool. His only long-term goal these days is to make it to Disneyland.

An Arab Policeman's Dilemma: Law or Disorder?

mason who since Mario's illness

has been working only part time

be able to spend more time with

his son, are often up past mid-

night sorting out the cards that

By Glenn Frankel

have decided to compete not by

cutting fares but by increasing ser-

vice. They now promote conve-

nient departure times and service

frequency as well as improvements

Business travel accounts for

The latest increase comes on top

year and is further evidence of the

Not all markets will lose the dis-

up significantly. The discount fare

between New York and San Fran-

cisco that is limited to a certain

controlled fare - will rise to \$250.

On a few routes - Philadelphia-

Boston, for example - there will

because of unusual competitive cir-

Companies, like private travel-

ers, have the option of taking ad-vantage of lower discount fares,

such as the seven-day advance pur-

chase plan. Between New York and

Houston, for example, that fare

will be \$290 one way, up from \$179.

cellation penalty of 25 percent.

The fare, however, carries a can-

from \$199, for example.

- on some transcontinental

about 48 percent of all domestic

airline traffic, and the higher fares

revenue for the industry.

in food and baggage handling.

Washington Past Service ARTAS, Occupied West Bank Licutenant Mustafa Adawi and his Arab police colleagues did not seek out the Pales-tinian uprising — but it found them.

In 21 years of police work under the Israeli occupation, Mr. Adawi said, he had always managed to avoid politics. It was a division of labor recognized and accepted by both Arab and Jew: he and his fellow Palestinians handled criminal and traffic cases and left security and political matters to their Israeli

But now the uprising has pointed its finger at Mr. Adawi and the other Arabs in blue in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. A Palestine Liberation Organization directive last week demanded they resign from the police force

working someplace for 30 years," said Mr. handle,"
Adawi, 52, in this village south of Bethlehem.

Ever s "We were serving the citizens here. But I

ISKAEL:

Arabs on Strike

(Continued from Page 1) personnel at the scene refused to let

was a closed military area.

reporters enter the village, saying it

At Qalqilya, at least five persons were reported wounded in clashes

between protesters and the military after what local Israelis said were clashes between Palestinians and

Jewish settlers. Some accounts put the tally of wounded as high as 30.

The Israeli Army announced

that a military judge sentenced two soldiers Monday after convicting them in the beating of Palestinian detainees that was filmed by a CBS

television crew on Feb. 25, The

Associated Press reported. A

spokesman said that one soldier.

Ronnen Sasson, received 21 days in

jail and that the other, Arieh Moa-

lem, got 10 days. The CBS tape, which provoked international criti-

cism, showed the soldiers kicking

the Arabs in the head and chest.

then picking up rocks and smash-

The general strike is supposed to

continue on Wednesday, according to a communique issued by the National Unified Command of the

Uprising, as the Palestinian leaders

■ Shamir Cites Differences

After talks with Mr. Shultz, Mr.

Shamir underscored one of the

main differences, The Associated

Press reported from Washington

He said that in Israel's view, the

Middle East peace conference Mr.

Shultz wants to convene in April to

In another development, Presi-

dent Ronald Reagan sought to re-

assure Mr. Shamir that he would

not be put under U.S. pressure to

agree to any particular solution to Israel's 40-year dispute with the

But Mr. Reagan stressed that

one else."

what they aren't."

not play "any positive role."

of the revolt style themselves.

ing them on the arms and legs.]

"Of course it is difficult when you've been

don't have any regret. We are part of this selves in an ambiguous position, wearing the with Israeli policemen who were both his community, not against it, and what the same blue uniform with Hebrew markings as superiors and his colleagues were good.

community wants. I must do."

their Israeli counterparts, yet members of a lt was different with the soldiers, he said.

officer, every one of the 40 Arabs has walked rators and traitors. way from his job. The same is the case in Bethlehem, where 60 officers have quit.

age of the middle ground and a further blow was "a special case" because the man was to normality in Palestinian and Israeli life as allegedly an informer. And all the time. Mr. the wave of unrest enters its fourth month.

Adam said, there was the internal pressure Like most policemen, Mr. Adawi and of conscience, many of his colleagues epitomize the main- Although h stream of their society: their political views are moderate, their values conservative. They are men of stature in their communities, and

their departure is both a stunning triumph to the police station. for the PLO and a serious blow to Israel. "We saw a lot of when the police station." have to stew in their own juice," Mordechai — and hundreds immediately complied. After 30 years on the beat, Mr. Adawi has turned in his pistol and his uniform and gone home.

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More than half the estimated 1,000 Arab Palestinian community in the throes of reDespite his standing in the community as a mind, we would be ready to go back immediately be sentor police official, Mr. Adam said that he, ately." policemen in the occupied territories have volt.

quit the force since Thursday, and most of the rest are expected to follow soon.

In Mr. Adawi's precinct, the town of Ramallah, where he was the senior Palestinian working for the Israeli authorities as collaboration.

One officer was stabbed and beaten to death near his home in the West Bank town Their resignations mark a further shrink- of Jericho, although Mr. Adawi insists that Although he and other Arab policemen

insisted that they not be involved in dealing with the disturbances that have wracked Ramallah, soldiers often brought alleged rioters "We saw a lot of what was going on and we

Israel's response has been bitter. "They'll knew more than other people," he said, ave to stew in their own juice," Mordechai Mr. Adawi said that sometimes the rioters

among them which we won't be able to bring in demonstrators to the station."
handle."
Still, Mr. Adawi, who is fluent in Hebrew Ever since the violence began in Gaza on as well as Arabic, recalled his years on the Dec. 9, Arab policemen have found them-police force as good times. He said relations

When the PLO's leaflet number 10, print-

ed clandestinely and signed by the under-ground National Unified Committee for the Uprising, first called for Arab policemen to quit, Israeli authorities hurriedly called meetings with Mr. Adawi and his colleagues. They offered the policemen raises and benefits on a par with those paid to Israelis.

For Mr. Adawi, who made about \$600 a month, the raise could have nearly doubled He shook his head and smiled ironically as he recalled the moment. "This was something we were asking for for 20 years and they never even considered it," he said. "And then when they offer it to us, we refuse."

Ahmed Issa, a close friend of Mr. Adawi's

and a 25-year police veteran who worked as chief criminal investigator in Bethlehem, recalled what happened next. When the Arabs came to headquarters to turn in their resigna-tions, he said, their Israeli colleagues were there to greet them. "Both sides were cry-

ing," he said.
"The PLO represents our people and so we will do what the PLO tells us to do," Mr. Issa said. But he added: "If the PLO changed its

with South Africa has declined dur-

Economists said that if West

Germany seriously implemented

drastic decline in South African

Citing West Germany's abstention in the March 8 vote in the UN

Security Council on sanctions

against South Africa, he confirmed

that this indicated the first depar-

In Pretoria, Foreign Ministry of-

Mr. von Weizsäcker's speeches.

ings as "reckless in the extreme and

The state-controlled television

had turned down final appeals for

The "Sharpeville Six" have

aroused more domestic and inter-

national controversy than any oth-

er South African political trial in

In neither the trial in 1985 or the

appeal hearing in 1987 were the six

would hang as scheduled.

on the hangings.

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foreign trade.

anti-sanctions line.

Templeton Award Plan In Abeyance

By Barry James

The Templeton Foundation said Tuesday that it was reconsidering the decision to award its prestigions religion prize to a Pakistani Moslem leader who is alleged to have anti-Semitic sympathies. The £220,000 (\$400,000) prize,

the world's biggest, is awarded an-nually by Sir John Templeton, an American-born, Bahamas-based financier, to those "who through original or pioneering ways ad-vance the knowledge and love of God." Recipients have included Mother Teresa, Billy Graham and Alexander Solzbenitsyn.

In a message to the British Coun-cil of Christians and Jews, the foundation said it had been surprised by allegations of anti-Semitic and extreme rightist sympathies concerning the proposed recipient, Inamullah Khan, chairman of the executive committee of the World Conference on Religion and Peace and secretary-general of the World

Muslim Congress.
When the 1988 award was announced last Wednesday, the council sent a message to the foundation

raying it was "very disturbed" be published reports about Mr. Khain.

The Board of Deputies of Brids Jews also sent a telegram to the foundation, saying it had dottly mentary evidence that Mr. Khain. mentary evidence that Mr. Khai had been involved for many year. in the dissemination of racist and

anti-Semitic propaganda.
It said the World Muslim Congress financed and distributed copies of books written by William trade sanctions it could result in a Grimstad, a former member of the American Nazi Party, seeking to prove that the Holocaust was a

myth invented by Jews.

The foundation called the reports "a complete surprise to the foundation and to the judges." "It is planned that information

ture from Bonn's once-unequivocal from all sources will be collected and carefully considered," the "This position has to be, and will foundation's message said.

The eight judges included the Prince of Wales; Sir Geoffrer be understood by the South African government as a clear signal,"

Howe, the British foreign secretary; and the archbishop of York; John Habgood.

The Board of Deputies said copies of the books, "The Six Million Reconsidered" and "Antificials declined to comment until they had studied the full texts of

Meanwhile, in Johannesburg, South African President Pieter W. Zion," were reprinted in Karach, where Mr. Khan lives, and sent in. 1981 to hundreds of legislators in. Botha is to meet veteran human rights legislator Helen Suzman to hear a plea for a reprieve for the six Britain and the United States.

Mr. Khan also wrote a letter of appreciation in 1985 to Spotlight, a U.S. publication that supports the In a speech to the all-white Parliament in Cape Town, Mrs. Suzman described the proposed hang-

very provocative." The speaker of Parliament turned down an opposi-Muslim Congress, founded in \$1920s, was revived in 1949 by \$1 tion request for a half-hour debate grand multi of Jerusalem. His Amin el Husseini, who was convicted after World War II of collabo-But hope faded for the "Sharpeville Six.4 although renewed pleas rating with the Nazis. for clemency continued to pour in

in Rangoon, Burma, has been seeretary-general of the organization network reported that Mr. Botha almost since its revival. clemency and added that the six

lerence in the Turkish-controlled sector of Cyprus at which partici-pants condemned any attempt to conclude a peaceful settlement with Israel and cited "an obligatory duty upon all Moslems to contribute to its liberation from the usurp ing Zionists," according to pub-lished reports.

pleton Foundation cited Mr. Khan's "tireless work as a coordinator for peace between Moslems; Christians and Jews."



An Israeli soldier trying to kick open a door in the West Bank village of Nur E-Shams on Tuesday as Palestinians began a twoday strike and Israel restricted travel between the occupied lands.

Bonn Hints It May Shift On Pretoria Sanctions On Pretoria Sanctions

By John Battersby

New York Times Service ing the past year, it still is second only to Japan, with the United States in third place. Two-way portant trading partner after Japan, has for the first time hinted billion a year.

Hat it might reconsider its firm Economists said that if West opposition to economic sanctions in the light of Pretoria's recent crackdown on 18 anti-apartheid

The message was delivered in several prepared speeches by President Richard von Weizsäcker of West Germany during state visits to Zimbabwe, Nigeria and Mali.

West German diplomats in Cape Town and Harare said on Tuesday that his remarks carried the full authority of Chancellor Helmut

Kohl's government. [In another development, President Ronald Reagan urged South Africa on Tuesday to grant clemen-cy to the five black men and a oman condemned to hang on Friday for complicity in the 1984 kill-ing of a black township councillor, Renters reported from Washing-

ton.] Mr. von Weizsäcker, a ceremonial president with no executive powers, repeated his earlier remarks at a press conference in Harare on

Although West German trade

BRITAIN: Tax-Reform Budget Appears Amid Feud

(Continued from Page 1)

intervention to hold the pound below a ceiling of three marks. It climbed to 3.08 marks on Monday and to 3.09 marks Tuesday after his speech. Analysts said severe strains could result between Mrs. Thatcher and Mr. Lawson if the pound reaches 3.2 marks. In the meanwhile, government

"making progress toward peace in the Middle East not only serves officials are attempting to contain mutual interests, it is urgent."

In a speech to the United Jewish the political damage by character-izing their dispute as a "healthy Appeal, the president said he would tell Mr. Shamir at the White argument" and by dismissing talk of a Lawson resignation as "gos-House on Wednesday that "peace will not be imposed by us or any-

Underlying this dispute is a long-Mr. Shultz met with Mr. Shamir standing disagreement between the for about three hours. "We haven't two over whether Britain should found our way to bridge all of the join the European Monetary Sysdifferences," Mr. Shultz said after- tem. Mr. Lawson has become conward. "I see quite clearly what the vinced that Britain ought to join nature of the differences are and the eight European countries, inwhat they aren't."

cluding West Germany, that work

Mr. Shultz did not offer any dethrough the system to stabilize

with her faith in markets, opposes this step.
All this has led to speculation

that Mr. Lawson, 56; an abrupt man with a streak of arrogance not unlike that of the "Iron Lady," might resign in frustration and take a high-salaried job in the City, London's financial district. If the latest budget is not his last, it was the most dramatic. Mr. Law-

son ignored pleas that he use an estimated budget surplus of \$20 billion to bail out the troubled Nanonal Health Service. Instead, he put two thirds of that amount into surplus accounts and into financing tax reductions that were frankly aimed at the top 5 percent of tax-

This major reform will leave us with one of the simplest systems of income tax in the world," he said, adding that his goal for future budgets was to lower the basic rate to only 20 percent. The new rate of 25 their currencies. Mrs. Thatcher, percent is the lowest since 1938.

Opposition reaction was furious. For the first time in modern memory, a chancellor's speech was stopped by disruptions. It was delayed 15 minutes when a member of the Scottish Nationalist Party was expelled from the chamber for calling the budget an "utter ob-scenity." Labor members later " Labor members later caused a 10-minute suspension by chanting "rich man's budget."

But the reaction from financial analysts and conservative economists was glowing. Graham Mather, of the Institute of Economic Affairs, compared Mr. Lawson's plan, which also included reductions in capital gains and inheritance taxes, to President Ronald Reagan's tax simplification plan of

The new tax system is to take effect in mid-June. Approval by the Commons is considered certain since the Conservatives hold 374 of

they had had common cause with the crowd who watched the gruesome killing of Khuzwayo Jacob Dhlamini, deputy mayor of the black township complex of Lekoa, which includes Sharpeville.

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Mr. Khan, who was born in 1914

In 1980 the congress held a con-

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Anti-Communist League.

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Taxes for the Comrades

Old joke in Eastern Europe: Q. What is gressive income tax" placed second in the 10 the difference, comrade, between communism and capitalism? A. Under capitalism, man exploits man. Under communism, the situation is reversed.

As if to illustrate, Mikhail Gorbachev now promises a radical new reform to the toiling Soviet masses: the progressive income tax. Americans toiling over Form 1040 are unlikely to chuckle. The Soviet leader's avowed reason for introducing individual incomes taxes is to reward "honest work and initiative, but not the kind in evidence at some cooperatives which take advantage of shortages and engage in open money grubbing." This is what Sovietokogists call Aesopian language, something like the Reagan administration calling tax in-

creases "revenue enhancement." In truth, one person's initiative is another's money grubbing. The stronger motive for taxing Soviet incomes is probably to raise money and offer the appearance of fiscal equity in a society increasingly marked by inequalities. The idea has an impeccable ideological pedigree. In "The Communist Manifesto," written in 1848, "a heavy prodemands listed by Marx and Engels.

This provenance was recalled by Joseph Choate, a New York lawyer, in an argument that swayed the Supreme Court in 1895: "The act of Congress which we are impugning before you is communistic in its purposes and tendencies and is defended here on principles as communistic, socialistic — what shall I call them - populistic as ever have heen addressed to any political assembly in the world." It took the 16th Amendment to restore Congress's right to tax incomes.

But Choate was wrong: the existence of the tax has probably done more to deter revolution by reconciling toiling masses to capitalism. This is also the case with other items in the Communist Manifesto: free education for all children in public schools. abolition of child labor, improvement of the soil, establishing of a national bank and other once-revolutionary demands. Mr. Gorbachev is likely to find that the income tax will make it easier for Soviet underdogs to accept inequalities in income that, according to Soviet theory, do not exist.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Soak the Middle Class?

along, the struggle over tax rates in the next istration is also briskly under way. The crusade to cut the income tax urges a return to the special low rate for capital gains. In the 1986 tax reform act, Congress dramatically reduced the top rates on the highest incomes. But at the same time, to preserve the balance in the system, it eliminated the break for capital gains. Now the crusaders to cut the income tax want the capital gains break back but without any corresponding increase on top rates for ordinary income. They argue that a lower tax rate on capital gains will generate more revenue because many more people will cash in capital gains.

This argument comes from the same people who in 1981 argued with great force that the Reagan tax cuts would generate such a surge of savings that the cuts would be selffinancing. In fact, the savings rate has been bumping along at historic lows. But the cru-saders are making a serious case, with the usual academic studies and economic projections. They deserve a serious answer.

And now they have it, from the Congressional Budget Office — as expert and impartial a voice as you are likely to hear. It concludes that, far from raising revenues, likely to reduce revenues. The CBO observes that the effects of tax changes are not easy to predict and it is best not to pretend to be absolutely certain. But past experience establishes a very strong probability that a lower tax on capital gains would not pay for itself. That pretty thoroughly demolishes the case

for returning to a capital gains preference.

More than half of all capital gains in the
United States are realized by taxpayers in
the top 1 percent — those with incomes
over \$100,000 a year. In 1984, the latest year for which the figures have been published, capital gains were more than half of all income for those taxpayers with incomes over \$1 million. Millionaires are now taxed at the same top rate — 28 percent — as a family with a taxable income of \$30,000 a year. A lower rate for capital gains would mean taxing the very wealthy at a rate significantly lower than the middle class. America has decided not to try to soak the rich, and there are good reasons for that decision. But it would be indefensible to soak middle-income families more heavily than those fortunate taxpayers who sit on the top rung of the ladder.

THE WASHINGTON POST.

Sugar Quotas Turn Sour

U.S. sugar import quotas have turned into a disaster for the small agricultural countries of the Caribbean. As the quotas shrink, they cut off a principal source of earnings to those countries. The U.S. Congress, justly afflicted by a bad conscience, enacted in December legislation that would mitigate the effects of the quota reductions. The Reagan administration says the legislation is fatally flawed

and refuses to carry it out.

Beyond the legal quibble, the administration detests the quotas and wants to get rid of them. The U.S. sugar program is rotten, and there is a certain attraction to just saying no. But the cost of that virtuous denial would fall solely on the Caribbean sugar-producers and the Philippines.

Congress, in a squalid act of pure protec-tionism, has fixed the price of sugar in America at about 22 cents a pound. The world price is now about 8 cents. Since supporters of this commitment recognize it is economically indefensible, they have decreed that it must be maintained without cost to the government. They accomplish that by the quota system, which cuts imports to whatever level necessary to maintain the mandated price.

The consumer pays the bill. Because U.S. production of sugar and other sweeteners has been rising, the quotes have been cut drasti-cally. From 6 million tons in 1977, they fell to 1 million last year, and are going lower.

Congress is, to its credit, uneasy about this ferocious squeeze on Caribbean sugar earnings and last year came up with a tricky one-year remedy. An additional 400,000 tons would be allowed into the country at U.S. prices, to be refined and re-exported at the lower world price - with the deal subsidized with government surpluses of other commodities. It would bring \$100 million to the sugar farmers of the Caribbe-

an countries and the Philippines.

Ideally, the solution is to abolish U.S. sugar quotas while getting the Caribbean countries out of sugar production. Sugar is in vast oversupply worldwide; producing it is a formula for perpetual poverty. But the sugar economy cannot be transformed overnight. For the present year, the Reagan reformers would be wiser to reread the law and see whether there isn't a way to get that \$100 million to the Caribbean and the Philippines.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

What He Did Was to Lie

The Iran-contra scandal consisted of monumental misjudgments and arrogant illegal-ity, varnished over with half-truths and fullscale lies. Investigations last year brought out some of the truth. Now a guilty plea starts to bring out some of the crimes.

Robert McFarlane, the former national security adviser, has pleaded guilty to four violations of the contempt-of-Congress law, which punishes as misdemeanors the willful withholding of information from Congress. That law does not neatly fit the facts of the scandal or Mr. McFarlane's role in the coverup, but it meets the needs of prosecution and defense and the demands of justice.

The plea bargain should facilitate prosecution of other officials. But it humanely spares Mr. McFarlane the risk of conviction as a felon. Most important, it establishes that "withholding information" from Congress is a dangerous, potentially criminal act. Yet Mr. McFarlane, for all the feelings of guilt that drove him to attempt suicide last year, continues to misinterpret his crime.

In conventional contempt-of-Congress cases, witnesses openly refuse to answer questions or provide information. Congress can then cite them for contempt and seek prosecution that will define its rights to the information. But Mr. McFarlane purported to respond freely to congressional questions, both in unsworn correspondence with House committees and in sworn testimony after the scandal broke. Asked about reports that his National Security Council staff was raising

denied knowledge of such activities, which he and many in Congress considered illegal. He thus "withheld" the truth, which was that he knew full well of such activities. "That's a long way from lying," Mr. McFarlane said later. No, it isn't. Even a cantankerous Congress has the right to expect truthful answers from officials charged

with faithfully executing the laws. The Reagan administration, after breaking its pledge never to sell arms to terrorists, sold weapons to Iran. Then it diverted profits to the contras. Then it covered up the deals despite legitimate inquiries from Congress. Mr. McFarlane, although more obviously driven by conscience than some of his associates, seriously misled Congress.

The graver charge of lying to Congress is a telony, befitting the gravity of the offense. Mr. McFarlane avoids a felony charge, but he speaks as if his conviction as a misdenant made him an elder statesman. He laments that the fundamental issue here has not been dealt with by Congress or the courts -- that is, "why congressional executive rela-

tions broke down so tragically."

A better working relationship is indeed needed. But it cannot begin when one branch "withholds information" to which the other is entitled. Relations between the branches may never be wonderful, but they will be a lot better if the president's men stop committing, and rationalizing, crimes.

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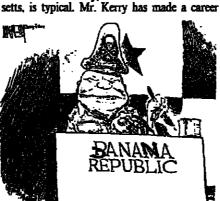
Panamanian Democracy Isn't the Concern

WASHINGTON — In polite discourse it is axiomatic that the United States does not have the right to overthrow governments. So strong is the taboo that one of the many Boland amendments by which Congress restricted U.S. aid to the Nicaraguan rebels authorized \$27 million for the contras, provided the money was not used to overthrow the Sandinist government -- an interesting set of instructions to give a guerrilla army. Even in Grenada - the object of as justified and locally welcomed an invasion as history provides — the Reagan administration was forced to pretend that this was not an overthrow but a mission to rescue U.S. nationals.

My, what a change of scenery can do for a sacred principle. Lately, the United States has been engaged in a most overt and deliberate effort to overthrow the government of Panama, and not a word of objection is heard in Washington.

On the contrary. Efforts to oust General Manucl Antonio Noriega are universally approved. From Bob Dole to Albert Gore to Jesse Jackson, presidential candidates are lining up with suggestions on how best to get rid of the general.

Among the not-yet presidential candidates, Senator John Kerry, Democrat of Massachu-



Aquino moves into its third year, it

faces the threat of rebellions on two

The threat on one front has actually

lessened. An intensified military of-

fensive in recent months has hurt the

Marxist insurgents. Guerrilla attacks

against government targets are still frequent, but the leadership of the Communist Party of the Philippines is

deeply divided over tactics. The recent

arrests of senior party leaders in Ma-

nila and in Negros Occidental prov-

ince reflect the disarray in the party.

But a new flash point for insurgen-cy has developed on Mindanao island

Aquino's resolve to restore market

forces in the agricultural sector has

stimulated a consumer-led recovery.

was hurt seriously by drought, farm incomes have risen. Coconut prices

more than trebled, benefiting some 18

million people in rural areas, about a

panded by 7.4 percent in 1987 and

construction by almost 16 percent. Total investment, local and foreign,

grew by nearly 20 percent, halting a three-year decline precipitated by the

ballooning of foreign debt under for-mer President Ferdinand Marcos.

Mr. Marcos's greatest disservice to

the economy was not the looting of

public coffers. It was the way he dis-

couraged entrepreneurial activity

among Filipinos by concentrating economic privileges in the hands of friends and relatives. There was a

constant fear among those outside this coterie that if their businesses

WASHINGTON — On Feb. 29, in a speech before the Overseas

Development Council, I introduced a

proposal for addressing the world debt problem and its impact on trade. My remarks stimulated a good deal

My plan proposes the establishment

of an entity I would call the Institute

of International Debt and Develop-

ment, or IIDD. The central feature of

the proposal is the creation of a facility

to negotiate market-oriented agree-

ments with developing countries on a voluntary basis and to provide a mech-

anism for reorganizing a debtor country's obligations in a tailored manner.

by the governments of major devel-

oped countries as a joint venture of the

International Monetary Fund and the

World Bank. The sponsoring govern-

ments would provide the initial capi-

ments with the IMF or the World

Bank. The sponsors also would pro-

vide ongoing contingent support.

A major consideration in the de-

sign of IIDD is that trade and invest-

ment opportunities be opened up for

the less-developed countries as part

of the adjustment program, thus

stimulating growth and building

sovereign debt of a given country owed to banks, at a discount to be

negotiated. The discount would make

the institute's cost of funding much

less than present debt service require-

ments. This discount would make it

possible for the institute to extend to the government of a less-developed

country significant debt service relief

conditioned on adherence to an agreed

Starting the flow of new money is critical to any plan, and its absence

economic adjustment program.

The institute would purchase all

credibility and creditworthiness.

tal, either directly or through arrang

The institute would be sponsored

Some say this plan will be costly to U.S. taxpayers.

But the debt load is already on the taxpayers' back.

of dialogue, pro and con.

As purchasing power rose at all

third of the nation's population.

Though production of major crops

fronts in the Philippines.

By Charles Krauthammer

denouncing U.S. intervention practically every-where, but his enthusiasm for dumping General Noriega is such that he criticizes President Rea-

gan for not having done enough.

So obvious is the U.S. policy of overthrow that
the Panamanian general has been able to mobilize domestic support by claiming, quite accurately, to be a target of Yankee imperialism.

Recent U.S. maneuvers forced the shutting down of Panama's banking system. Such banana-republic treatment is normally met with anti-colo-nial indignation on Capitol Hill. Not this time.

About the only observer who appears to have noticed the sudden silent eclipse of the principle of nonintervention is Flora Lewis, the New York Times columnist. She is a longtime critic of the administration's contra policy and a skeptic about U.S. intervention generally. But the Noriega issue forces her noninterventionism to take an entirely new look. (IHT, March 3.)

It turns out, you see, that "the idea of absolute national sovereignty" on which the principle of nonintervention is based is "obsolete." When "cruel dictatorships" are the issue, "doing nothing is a kind of intervention."

I am delighted that we are all interventionists

now that, as Flora Lewis says, "the question is not whether to intervene; that happens inevitably. It is how and to what purpose." Well, the purpose in a parama is overthrow. And the how, thus far, is economic, diplomatic and pseudo legal, not military. A prudent way to start. Does anyone think, however, that if those means fall and if the assistant secretary of state for Latin America, the vilified Elliott Abrams. were quietly to arrange with Panamanian army officers for a coup, Mr. Abrams would be denounced for imposing U.S. will on a weak Cen-tral American nation? Not a chance.

General Noriega is corrupt, dictatorial and a drug-runner—a middling thug among leaders of

United Nations member states. Why is interven-

tion justified uniquely in his case? The reason Americans want to overthrow General Notiega has nothing to do with the human rights of Panamanians. As Senator Kerry rather candidly put it in a press release applauding the general's pseudo overthrow by his former puppet: "From the domestic standpoint, President Delvalle's actions [are] a beginning step for the war on drugs in the United States."

Managing
The Royals
Business

By Jim Hoagland

ONDON - With a minimum

harumphing. The Daily Telest has cast its vote: The Prince of

should continue to ski. But the

graph editorialist, and most of i

Street, have cautioned Prince Con

to be more predent in the future,

whether and how a 39-year-old honaire should whiz down Swin

slopes may seem faintly ludicious, i

in Britain. Charles's habit of post.

himself in harm's way in the name

sport and fun has become ceaped

the continuing national psychodia:

The latest chapter involves the in-

ic death of one of the prince's h

friends in a Swiss avalanche that it

rowly missed claiming him as well

week. It has been established that?

heir to the British throne led his per of expert skilers off the marked skil

in dangerous conditions.

The questions that the British ple

have been raising in the tragedy? termath are immediate and prefit

able ones: Was Charles to blame! his friend's death? Should he feel

sponsible? Should be commue to p:

himself in hazardous endervors, in

obvious attempt to escape the frish

tions of having no job except want

to be king? The answers given their!

are also predictable: no, no and ab

ever, to ask the broader questions &

this incident should crystallize are

the role of the British monarchy iff

34th year of the rule of Queen Elic

beth II. The intense but channel

reaction to Charles's misadvents demonstrates the strong grip that't

royal family continues to hold on t

popular imagination here as a soil of national unity and pride.

Talk of abolishing the monard prevalent in the cash-short 1970s,

absent in today's oil-financed boo

But the prince's close call should be

bring a badly needed reassessmelt how the monarchy is functioning.

The cost to British taxpavers

maintaining the royals in the fasti-

to which they are accustomed is pr

tially offset by tourism income dife-ly attributable to foreign interest

Public appropriations augment t lucrative rents and dividends #

flow to the royal family from cor

the American Bible Belt who squetz

regular contributions out of mea-paychecks so that Jimmy Swap

and the Bakkers could live in or

lence, low-income British taxpay

apparently live out many of their of fantasies by seeing the royals ski a.

vacht their way through the year.

As with the evangelists, it is

behavior and judgment of Elizabet

immediate family that cause pit, lems, not resentment at the more

they spend. The well publicized I

mantic adventures of some memb

of the royal family have been eclips

Like the mill hands and others.

properties and other investments

e royal family and its trappin

There seems little inclination ho

that stars the British royalty.

The idea of a national debate of

Americans want to depose General Noriega because his business is drugs and because his client is the United States. If he were dealing drugs only to, say, Latins, U.S. politicians would care nothing one way or the other about him.

The Noriega gang-up is quite simply the conduct of domestic drug policy by other means. It is a two-fer: a way to look tough on drugs and on foreign dictators at the same time. Noriega-bashing is to the U.S. drug problem what Gephardtism is to economic problems: Blame it on foreigners and get cheap credit for "nationalism." For the world's greatest consumer of drugs,

whose craving is so monstrous that it has turned an entire continent into its supplier, to vent its fury on those willing to provide that supply makes for ridiculous self-righteousness

and for lousy foreign policy.

I am not fond of General Noriega. His overthrow will not make an ounce of difference to the U.S. drug problem, but I am always happy to see evil punished. And if it has to be through the agency of U.S. intervention, all the better.

Let us not pretend, however, that this is done in the name of Panamanian democracy, which, the content of the property of of the proper

until the general's drug connection was unveiled. was of interest to practically no one in the United States. Now that the entire U.S. political spectrum has joined gaily in the overthrow busin next time some pious windbag gets misty about respecting other peoples' sovereignty and about the glories of letting Central Americans decide their own future, ask him where Panama is.

Washington Post Writers Grow.

Philippines: Moslem Rebels Pose the Next Threat MANILA — As the administra-tion of President Corazon

By Amando Doronila

Moro National Liberation Front, move could encourage renewed at-which has about 20,000 armed guer-tempts by militant Moslem groups rillas, is preparing to resume large-scale fighting in its struggle to win autonomy for 13 southern provinces

that have large Moslem populations. The front, meanwhile, is seeking full membership in the Islamic Conference Organization, which repre-sents many Moslem nations and movements. The conference meets Monday in Amman, Jordan.

The Aquino administration has lobbied hard to persuade the confer-

Aquino Sparks an Entrepreneurial Spirit

swallowed up by the crony empires.
Though Mrs. Aquino's critics

charge that some of her relatives are

trying to revive crony capitalism, it cannot be denied that the entrepre-

neurial spirit is spreading infectiously

at all levels of society.

Shrimp farming, for example, has

grown rapidly in the last two years. Filipinos who placed their capital in

Canada or the United States during

in the Philippine aquaculture industry.

The fastest growing export sector last year was the garment industry.

where overseas sales exceeded \$1 bil-

lion for the first time. The industry

consists of hundreds of small compa-

nies that subcontract to thousands of

households. Entrepreneurial fever is

niture, leather goods, giftware and

spreading to production of toys, fur-

The Philippines has not succumbed to the hyperinflation and drastic de-

valuation that have plagued heavily indebted Latin American nations. De-preciation of the Philippine peso

This provides the basis for opening

new sources of credit for a country.

The subordination feature, combined

with debt relief, should appeal to the

debtor countries and would act as an

incentive to meet their obligations

In exchange for their currently held debt, the banks would receive

interest-bearing consolidateds, or perpetual bonds, and participating

preferred stock of IIDD. Since the

banks would suffer a loss, this is not a

"bank bailout." The debt of the least-

developed countries already trades at

trade-offs, and these are controver-

sial. A Washington Post editorial called my plan "radical" and "inter-

ventionist." If "radical" means "com-

prehensive," that is right. Any solu-

tion designed to foster growth of

world trade and global prosperity

must involve governments in devel-

oped and developing countries, inter-

national institutions and banks. Only

by sharing burden and responsibility

If "interventionist" means "involv-

ing governments," that is right too.

But what is new about that? A slow-down in the world economy because

of the burden of debt of less-devel-

oped countries affects every nation,

its institutions and its people. Clear-

ly, these issues should be on the agen-da of the Group of Seven countries at

their next summit meeting.

can a meaningful solution evolve.

and restore creditworthiness.

discounts from face value.

other labor-intensive ite

MANILA — Against all odds, the Philippine economy posted a respectable 5.1 percent growth rate last year, surpassing Indonesia and Malaysia. President Corazon swallowed up by the crony empires.

Though Mrs. Against all odds, the Philippine economy posted a respectable 5.1 percent growth rate last year, surpassing Indonesia and Malaysia. President Corazon swallowed up by the crony empires.

the southern Philippines. The for the front Manila fears that such a tempts by militant Moslem groups to secede from the predominantly Christian country, something the president has said she will not allow.

The Aquino administration cannot afford a war on two fronts. It would disrupt economic recovery. It would spread the 150,000 soldiers in the armed forces too thinly. And it would make the central government more vulnerable to possible coup attempts by disloyal troops. Pockets of resentment still fester in the military.

against the dollar has been only about

percent in two years, while the annu-

al increase in the consumer price index has been below that level. Since early 1986, the composite index of the Phil-

ippine stock market has rebounded

food, pharmaceutical and appliance

industries have initiated major capital

spending programs. Several European

And a survey by the American Cham-

ber of Commerce in the Philippines

found that its member firms were

the main threats to continued recov-

the Center for Research and Commu-

economic slowdown and, second, the

risk to their banking systems. If the present approaches do not work, the costs of reduced economic prosperity

and the costs of fixing a financial

Some suggest that the plan will be costly to the U.S. taxpayer. But the

taxpayer already has a big stake in the game. The debt load is already on

the taxpayers' backs. Congress has

placed the full faith and credit of the

U.S. government behind the Federal

Deposit Insurance Corp., which in-

sures deposits in banks that hold at least \$100 billion of loans just to the

most indebted developing countries.

The case-by-case approach of re-cent years to the problems of less-

developed countries has kept a crisis

at bay. But it should be remembered

that this has been a period of relative

rates. What happens when interest

rates turn around? What happens if

the present approach does not mea-

I am convinced that a comprehen-

sive plan is needed to supplement pre-

sent approaches and to take the next

with the economic future of the world.

gets something for nothing. Burden and benefits are shared. The less-de-

veloped countries that volunteer to

participate will receive debt relief, but

only if they agree to, and continue to,

Under the IIDD proposal, no one

Without it, we are gambling

sure up to future realities?

crisis are far greater.

a burst of investment this year.

than \$50 million a year.

Debt: This 'Radical' Plan Is Really About Voluntarism

By James D. Robinson 3d

has been a major shortfall of all ef- the plan transfers the risks from bank

forts to date. IIDD would address this problem by subordinating debt purchased by the institute to all new debt in the future, as long as the adjustment program is in place.

My proposal admittedly involves prosperity and declining interest

iles are building new factories.

Consumer-oriented firms in the

more than 200 percent.

ad at a high political cost.

Defense spending is a major bur-den — the military consumes the second-largest share of the national budget, trailing only the schools. Mrs. Aquino has given the security forces free rem in the campaign against in-surgents. But in the process, human

Amnesty International, the human rights organization, said in a recent report that Philippine government forces had engaged in political killings in the name of counterinsurgency. Since mid-1967, Amnesty asserted, unlawful killings have become the most serious human rights problem in the country. This represented a

But what many Filipinos have seen is greater political stability. Their confidence has translated into higher consumer spending, which in turn has led a revival in economic growth. The trend was helped by an emergency rural jobs program, the transfer of

of \$200 million over the next three momentum without a large infusion of foreign investment. And many inyears. Net inflow of foreign invest-ment in the 1983-86 period was less vestors are still waiting for a clearer definition of government policies on investment and privatization, and Investors are showing greater confi-dence in Mrs. Aquino's ability to meet stronger action against corruption.

They also want firmer assurances of stability. As long as the threat of ery: insurgency, labor unrest and an armed rebellion remains serious, any inept bureaucracy. The stage is set for

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last year helped restore a democratic process in the Philippines. During the Marcos years, the armed forces gained enormous political power. Reassertion of civilian control has been helped by the crushing of six coup attempts and conspiracies in the past two years. But this control has been

rights have suffered.

reversal of Amnesty's positive com-ments shortly after Mrs. Aquino came to power in February 1986.

resources to the farm sector, and firmer prices for commodities.

assurances from the government are likely to fall on deaf ears.

loans. The developed countries gain a sounder financial system, increased exports and growth, and greater inter-national movement toward open, mar-

Despite calls during the past few

years for new money, credit to the least-developed countries has come

only under the duress of the resched-

uling process and, sometimes with official urging, through bridge loans. Banks will not make new loans, nor

should they, unless there is a sound economic and business basis for do-

ing so. That is the essence of volunta-

rism in the marketplace, and that is

The writer is chairman and chief

what this proposal is all about.

ket-oriented economics.

more recently by the shenanigar frivolous Diana and Fergie and t determined risk-taking of the mela choly, distant Charles. ut straun oi seuif not selfishness, runs through all ti and undermines efforts of the pala and the government to paint a publi

service image for the royal family. At these incidents raise the question How well is Elizabeth managing large, expensive enterprise she head Can the remaining large and experience sive royal families of Western Europe think of themselves in manager terms? The most interesting and poli

cally adept monarch on the confise King Juan Carlos of Spain, says the not only can but must Ehzabe would do well to consider the visit ary thinking of the Spanish king. Juan Carlos is known to feel the modern monarchies have to protheir utility and cost-effectiveness their subjects. He has shocked some his relatives by toying aloud with tidea of retiring when he reaches (5)

15 years. His son, who is 20 this year would bring the ideas of a new generation to the throne and avoid spention his most productive years waiting ic: mortality to give him a job. This has relevance to Britain an the frustrations that apparently helpe drive Charles off-piste in search accomplishment in danger. He turn 40 on Nov. 14, and could concevable be 60 by the time he comes to the throne. His mother is 61 and in strong health. His grandmother, the Quee Mother, is 87. Tradition and Charles moody reputation supposedly arguagainst a British abdication. But if st

s to continue to avoid such a ster Elizabeth needs to demonstrate mor effectively that she is not managin the British monarchy into irrelevanc) The Washington Post.

executive officer of the American Express Co. He contributed this comment to The Washington Post.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: The Opium Trade 1938: Soviet Executions

NEW YORK - The United States authorities are awakening to a realization of the enormous extent to which the smuggling of contraband opium is carried on between British Columbia and the United States. In six years the importation of crude opium for refining purposes into British Columbia has increased from 17,000 to 105,000 pounds. [The Chinese pay the duty to the Canadian government. There are now in operation at and near Victoria, British Columbia, 13 opium factories. The output is sent [to the United States].

1913: French Misfire

the French Mediterranean squadron near Toulon [on March 15], a shell struck a house. The building collapsed and four persons were injured. It appears the shell was fired accidentally from the battleship Jules Ferry

MOSCOW -The 18 high-placed St viet officials convicted here [0 March 12] in the third great treaso trial in recent months, were execute [on March 15], according to an off cial communique. The method of ecution was not disclosed, but in 3. cordance with the usual practice, it i believed they were shot in the back it a corridor of the Lubyanka Prisor With the ending of the trial, there talk here of at least three other trial following in rapid succession. In th first will figure [those] mentioned it the evidence at last week's trial on the Bukharin-Rykov plot to kill Lenn and Stalin in 1918. Next to be tried will be several political leaders and former diplomats — 20 in all. The third trial will probably be held in all. camera, as the accused will be high - I military and naval commanders
VIENNA — Austria became a provi ince of the German Reich yesterdar [March 15] with Dr. Arthur Scyss-Inquart as its Governor.

PARIS - During firing practice by

implement sound structural adjust-ment programs. Participating banks. in return for their current lower-grade loans, will get high-grade bonds and preferred stock that allow them to share in future economic growth, as well as concessionary regulatory treat-There are those who charge that ment of the write-offs on current after firing practice was over,

OPINION

Gorbachev Surely Grinned At the Pope's Parallelism By A. M. Rosenthal There is more, obviously, in the producement, including some reference to the importance of economic initial mouncement, including some reference to the importance of economic initial sound jown.

fluence the way people all over the world think and act. It makes moral judgments about the great nations that are seen by Western diplomats as a stunning, unexpected boon for the Soviet Union.

It still gets minute examination in government offices in every major capial — in private. But relatively little has been said or written publicly.

In the West, the statements of Pope John Paul II generally receive, and fre-quently merit, only the most delicate of

ON MY MIND

criticism because he is the spiritual leader, guide and hope of so many millions throughout the world. But his very im-portance calls for frank talk when he makes a pronouncement that can affect the world, particularly when it has star-tled some Roman Catholic intellectuals of consequence and angered so many Western diplomats — including some assigned to the Vatican.

On Feb. 19 the pope issued an encyclical equally condemning "liberal capital-ism" and "Marxist collectivism." Criticism of existing economic systems has been a theme that has run through papal encyclicals for decades.

But the new encyclical contains language and thinking that disturbed Roman Catholics and others, people who are quite sophisticated enough to understand that no existing system meets either the needs of all the poor or the standards of all religious doctrine, but who believe that there are meral and political differences between Marxism and iibe, al capitalism that make the suggestion of

equivalence shockingly wrong.

The pope said the world was divided into two blocs, West and East, liberal capitalist and Marxist that compete for power in the underdeveloped coun-tries. Each bloc, he said, harbors imperialist tendencies and create. Arrettu ... of sin that deny freedom and development to poor nations. Therefore, he said, the church adopts a critical attitude toward both systems.

Revisionism, Vatican-Style

THE pope's Tweedledum-Tweedledee view of the division between the visions of Marx, Lenin and Mao against those of Locke, Jefferson and Churchill makes Christian blood boil with the kind of indignation felt by the Christian martyrs who have died by the millions since 1917 imploring God to relieve mankind of the curse of what in this encyclical becomes merely one of "two systems."
[This amounts to] a theological version of the kind of historical revisionism generally associated with modern nihilists.

- Cohonnist William F. Buckley Jr.

and human rights. But all good journalists would put the same headline on the story: "Pope Condemns Marxism and Capitalism Equally; Says Both Are Imperialistic and Sin Against Poor."

Even Mikhail Gorbachev might be surprised by the pope's finding that Marxism and liberal capitalism are equally bad economic systems. Capitalism has created a degree of economic decency in the West only dreamt of in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. It has brought new life and opportunity for millions of poor in Japan, South Kotea, Taiwan, Malaysia and other war-

torn or impoverished nations. Liberal capitalism has failed often. Marxist collectivism has never succeeded, a difference unmentioned by the pope but which is General Secretary

Gorbachev's galvanizing motivation.

But the reason Western diplomats and a number of Catholic thinkers are so unhappy is that the pope did seem to say that both sides were morally equivalent. At the very least, the failure to draw the difference plainly in a critique of both leaped out. Michael Novak, the Catholic theologian, in a hopeful but plainly worried analysis, said that there was "no excuse for the few careless passages on parallelism between East and West, Nor for the plain hostility of the United

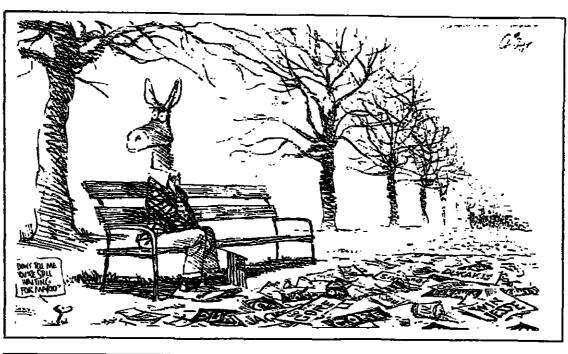
States in such passages."
In the world of nations and power, little counts more than the moral differences between democracy and communism. Moral equivalency is what Mr. Garbachev is trying to achieve to

بارد الله در المادة ine الله الله are basically equivalent, the West logically should accept Communist dicta-torship in the Soviet Union and the captive nations. Why arm, why struggle for political freedom for others? How is it possible that this pope, son

utterly clear that under one, religion is oppressed, freedom denied, police rule mposed, whole nations imprisoned, inchiding his own? It seems a lapse of political sensitivity, whatever his intent. There are Catholic critics of the en-

cyclical who fear he is trying to pacify the radical "liberation theology" grow ing in the church. Some supporters argue that the encyclical does not imply moral equivalency but just points to inequities in both systems and thus is consistent with Catholic doctrine. But surely it must be seen now in the Vatican that the pope has caused deep confusion about what he does mean on a matter of great moral and political moment.
William F. Buckley Jr. wrote recently. "One prays that the Holy Father will

move quickly to correct an encyclical heart-tearingly misbegotten." Amen. The New York Times.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Miserable Dutch Legacy

Those absurd complaints from former Dutch colonialists (Letters, March 8) about Barbara Crossette's very informative article on Feb. 23 would make much better reading if they reflected even a glimmer of the truth about the Netherlands' miserable legacy to Indonesia.

As a longtime student of the colonial era in Asia, I can say that Ms. Crossette erred only in the mildness of her strictures on the cruel Dutch paternalism.
The Dutch left Indonesia in lamentable shape despite a presence that lasted nearly 350 years. They ruled with cruelty and stupidity and compounded this foolishness with their dunderheaded sold Wat If cl

newborn nation given independence by the Japanese during their own period as colonial overlords there. This bit of pig-headedness not only nearly destroyed the skimpy economic infrastructure but drove the Indonesians into the arms of

teachers, doctors, scientists, administrators - is matched only by the pathetic French record in Indochina (though in defense of the French, they had a mere century, not three, in which to act).

HAROLD VAN EVERY.

I read with enthusiasm the resp from Frederik Sachse (Letters, March 8) to the article by Barbara Crossette, especially about the education situation during the Dutch colonial era. I certainly agree that the Dutch made many scientific achievements in Indonesia. However, I would like to emphasize that only the Europeans and those who belonged to a certain class of Indonesian society: those who cooperated with and helped preserve the Dutch administration.

TRIYONO WIBOWO.

Arabs and Armenians

Your March 12 issue carried an article on Israeli popular reaction to the 1,100strong foreign press corps now scouring an area the size of Greater London for news on Israel's treatment of Arab rioters ("As Israeli Conflict Widens, Insults Well Up From Decades of Pain").

At the bottom of the same page, you

cited an estimate of up to 350 deaths in Russians, in controlling the flow of news about the Armenian episode and mini-mizing its seriousness, have found eager

accomplices in the international press. Compare the wide-open reporting of the Arab riots in Israel's occupied territo-ries and of the resultant bostility (I inited

trained professionals. Their faiture to create a skilled Indonesian elite—lawyers, every international forum on Soviet treatment of the Armenians. Where are the calls for the restoration of the just and legitimate civil and religious rights of the Armenians? Where are the threats to suspend trade and cultural links with the Soviet Union? Where are the hurried visits by Western statesmen eager to intervene on behalf of the Soviet minorities? HARVEY A. CHESTERMAN.

Overseas and Overtaxed

read with rage the report on the legislation introduced by Senator Wil-liam Proxmire and Representative Jo-Dutch and very few Indonesians made seph P. Kolter to eliminate the \$70,000 those scientific achievements. Most Indonesians remained uneducated. The opportunity for education was provided to Tax Exclusion Abread." March 5).

Those of us who live abroad receive absolutely nothing from the taxes we are forced to pay to the U.S. government. We do not use the roads or the schools. enjoy police protection, breathe the air or drink the water. As your report pointed out, America is the only major country that demands this of its citizens,

How ridiculous of Mr. Kolter to say that Americans in the United States re ceive no such tax breaks. Why should they? They enjoy all the benefits mentioned above. An American who wishes to retire in a foreign country (a right anyone born in a democracy should have) cannot even benefit from the Medicare services he has paid for through taxes.

Our lawmakers show no concern for they think we have no influence on whether they get re-elected. Perhaps we should show them.

B. LAWSON Villefranche-de-Conflent, France.

After reading the report "Bush's Effort Runs Short on Substance" (March I am compelled to wonder what the vice president's supporters are voting for. Perhaps they are slaphappy enough to believe that four more years of Reaganism will benefit America.

Why isn't anyone asking Vice President George Bush hard questions about the deficit, the drug problem, the survival of Social Security, about Central America, and so on? Since he is not campaign-

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ing on substantial issues (or any issue, for that matter) does that mean he condones the existing administration policy of I'll worry about that tomorrow"

If Mr. Bush wins the nomination, a lot of Republicans like myself are going. to be searching for a serious Democratic candidate to support.

SUSAN RICHARDS.

Where's the Beef, Jesse?

Why do so many Southern Democrats see in Jesse Jackson the qualities necessary for one of the most delicate positions. on earth? Aside from his commendable

and his naiveté on foreign and detense policy tone recalls his good-will trip to Cuba) should keep him out of office.

LAURE DARCY Pans.

Having Providence on one's side can be a desirable arrangement. The expression "political climate" becomes less a figure of speech and more a reality with the news from Pat Robertson that he can turn aside hurricanes. His concern is understandable: His investment in Virginia Beach, Virginia, which is a prime target for hurricanes, does benefit from this unusual accomplishment.

COLIN REYNOLDS. Kanagawa, Japan.

Reading Kevin Phillips's column on Pat Robertson, "The Rise of the Reli-gious Right in America" (March 4), the warning of that most learned of the Latin fathers, Saint Jerome, comes to mind: "Avoid, as you would the plague, a clergyman who is also a man of business. PATRICIA É ANDREWS.

Munsier, West Germany.

Crime Without Punishment: A Science Without a Prize

By Daniel Greenberg

WASHINGTON — The real scient Science is getting serious about vanity. tific revolution of our time is the mobilization of serious research in behalf of a powerful and scientifically negleeted human characteristic: vanity.

There is no Nobel Prize for banishing wrinkles, fat or buildness. But the market-

MEANWHILE

place has correctly sized up the hierarchy. of human concerns. First place does not go to the mysteries of superconductivity or life on Mars. Far ahead of them are people's anxieties about how they look. Until recently, the vanity trade relied on extravagant advertising, technically sim-ple products, and the buyer's yearning to believe. But that is beginning to change.

could stop the wrinking of the human face. Some of the standard potions are in the price range, per ounce, of fine caviar They been to work about as well. But now, there is something new and effective, a chemical compound called Retin-A. Unlike its predecessors, it has passed the strict requirements for a favorable scientific evaluation in the Joannal of the American Medical Association, Scientists found that it indeed soothed away

The leader, of course, is the cosmetics industry, a multibillion-dollar enterprise

that long has prospered by inducing the halluctuation that one product or another

sun-induced wrinkles. The co-metics industry, awaiting government approval to market the stuff, is in turnion In the grand tradition of indecing hope, some cosmetics makers hint that

their products contain the magic stuff They don't Retin-A remains a prescription drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration only for treatment of ache, for which it has been used for years. But mendly doctors base made it a big seller in drug stores by writing prescriptions for their demanding patients,

Never standing still, science has also come closer to reconciling the desonant buman impulses for gluttony and sveltness Proctor & Gambie, after 20 years or research, its section government permis-sion to market a far substitute. Obstrathat sharply reduces the calonic punish-ment in fried foods. With the product, the calory count in a serving of fried onions drops from 279 to 120, Another compa-ns. SutraSweet has developed a jowcalone product. Simplesse, to replace the it me fats in sources and ice cream. the steter's cream, saftety without

bulges, crime without punishment. Meanwhile experimentation goes on with a drug, minoxidil, originally devel-oped for controlling high blood pressure. It appears to have a surprising side the first the second function hald

Such applications of science will no doubt evoke cries of dismay at a time when important needs remain unmet in health, the environment and so on. But American science is big and rich; it can easily spare some of its troops to study wrinkle, gluttony and hair restoration. In terms of socially acceptable pleasure per dollar spent on research, the vanity endeavors are the biggest bargains in the scientific marketplace. They are also good educational tools for demenstrating the everyday utility of science, so much of which is remote from human needs, or antagonistic to them,

What is lacking in vanity research is a glittering symbol of recognition for seientific accomplishment, a prize to in-spire creativity. Scientific purists will scoff at that notion. But isn't making people happy a glorious achievement?

Daniel S. Greenberg.

Looking glass: A trio of window washers at a bank in Palo Alto, California, squeegeeing their mirrored reflections.

AMERICAN TOPICS

U.S. First Ladies Play **Ever-Growing Role**

The wives of American presidents are ever more active in public policy and the trend is likely to continue. The New York Times reports. Their staffs have grown steadily, with a budget of several hundred thousand dollars, and "the first lady of the land," as she traditionally has been styled, draws increasing attention from press and public.

"I don't think there will ever be another first lady who will act only as more or less a hostess," said Rosalynn Carter, a former first lady. She said that only when she got to the White House did she realize "how far short governmental programs fall in meeting the needs of the people. It made me want to do what I could while I was there and had that platform." Last spring, Nancy Reagan,

who has crusaded against illegal drugs, said: "If the president has a bully pulpit, then the first lady has a white-glove pulpit. It's more refined, more restricted, more ceremonial, but it's a pulpit all the same."

There is no mention of the role of presidential wife in the Constitution and it was Edith Roosevelt, wife of Theodore Roosevell, who was first assigned a personal assistant. Nancy Reagan has a staff of 18. but she herself is unpaid.

The tradition of activist first ladies is a long one. Ellen Wilson, Woodrow Wilson's first wife, was denounced for campaigning for the Slum Clear-ance Act of 1913. Eleanor Roosevelt's work for humanitarian causes drew both praise and abuse. And Rosalynn Carter was criticized for sitting in on cabinet meetings.

Short Takes Montgomery Ward & Co. has been nicknamed "Monkey Ward" almost since its founding in 1872. Ward's president, Bernard F. Brennan, doesn't like it. He is credited with rebuilding the 316-outlet retail chain, which carned a record

\$130 million last year. The nickname "goes way back," Mr. Brennan concedes. "I've really been trying to shed that name. Mobil Corp. which owns Ward, recently agreed to sell the chain to Mr. Brennan and an investment group for \$3.8 billion.

The U.S. Health and Human

Services Department plans to

publish a consumer guide this summer to the quality of care provided by the 16,000 nursing homes in the United States, The Washington Post reports. To be issued annually, the guide will be based on inspection reports by state agencies. The project has been praised by retired people's groups but denounced by the nursing home business. Paul Willging, executive vice president of the American Health Care Association, said, "The inspection system is marked by incredible inconsistencies in the applications of standards by different surveys; there are variations and discrepancies from state to state."

The sturdy brown paper sack is giving way to the plastic bag in U.S. supermarkets. Virtually unknown 10 years ago, the petrochemical grocery bag now ac-counts for about half the 30 billion bags sold annually, up from 5 percent in 1982. The paper bag's share of the market will get smaller and smaller." predicts Buck Williams of Union Camp, which produces both kinds of sacks. Plastic bags cost about two cents each, compared to three or four cents for paper; they take up less storage space and they have handles. Unlike paper sacks, they are not

biodegradable.

Shorter Takes: Rustlers raided a farm near Rockford. Illinois, and made off with 25 cows, all pregnant, and some about to calve. Sergeant Mike Ernst of the state police said this made them especially valuable: "A calf would be worth \$150 by itself." . During the decade of the 1930s, 1,685 U.S. tornadoes were recorded, causing 1,947 deaths, the National Weather Service says. In the 1970s improved reporting showed 8,575 tornadoes but. thanks largely to radar warnings, deaths dropped to 990.

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Historian Simon Dubnow, center, flanked by, left, the Hebrew poet Chaim Bialik and the Yiddish writer Mendele Mokher Sforian.

Jewish Artists and a 'Usable Past'

men face the camera - all seated, all formally attired in the fashion of 1913. The men on the sides are unfamiliar names today, but the trio in the middle remain celebrated figures wherever modern Jewish culture is studied. In the center sits Simon Dubnow, the foremost Jew-ish historian of his era. The roundfaced man on his right is the poet Chaim Nachman Bialik; the man thing you feel still more strongly as with a trim snow-white beard on his left is the storyteller Mendele

search and included in the exhibi- Mendele died a few weeks after the tion "A Century of Ambivalence: October Revolution. Bialik man-The Jews of Russia and the Soviet aged to leave Russia in 1921, and through June 19.

Mendele Mokher Sforim (a pen name that means "Mendele the Bookseller") wrote stories of ghetto minded of how many-sided Jewish

the mixture of old and new in the were and what roads they ought to photograph, to the sense of an im-memorial past confronting an untures in the exhibition.

Mokher Sforim.

The photograph is among 380 eventual fates of these men — and chosen from the archives of the yet how representative of the fate of other Eastern European Jews.

life at its most traditional. He is life was in Russia around 1900.

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The Scene is a room in Odessa. Five literary

The literary ical, his methods those of modern tion: The Jewish Renaissance in scholarship. Bialik, born 13 years after Dubnow, and nearly 40 years 1928." You can feel in the artists it tion and Revolution" documents in Mendele's junior, is by general confeatures — Marc Chagail, El Lisfascinating detail. sent the foremost Hebrew poet of sitzky, Issachar Ryback and their Few works in the

> thing you feel still more strongly as you come across other, related pic-but for a brief period they had the additional excitement of discovering that as Jewish avant-garde artists they had a "usable past."

It was non-Jews, as the catalogue makes clear, who first persuaded secularized Russian Jews that they had a cultural inheritance worth Union, 1881 to the Present," at the settled in Palestine in 1924, Dub-Jewish Museum in New York now was murdered by the Nazis in through June 19. Stract art. ings) was inspired by this broader Russian precedent; but it soon acquired a momentum of its own.

conventionally known as "the Amid the anxieties, the frequent grandfather of Yiddish literature." hardship, and, in some respects, the Dobnow broke with orthodox Junarrowness, it was an age of promount of the control of the control

Few works in the exhibition are colleagues - an altogether excep- indeed more engaging than the It is impossible not to respond to tional pressure to decide who they copies of historic synagogue paintings, by Lissitzky among others. But they represent only one elegood humor and emotional insight ment in a rich range of exhibits that which is a joy to observe. includes book illustrations, stage

designs and woodcuts. The dedication and energy are unmistakable. And yet for most of these artists what the catalogue calls their "Jewish figurative" vein was soon exhausted, except in marginal ways. They gave themselves up instead to the revolution, in its first flush, and to the lure of ab-

Events were to prove otherwise. and at a distance of 70 years, in the wider historical context provided by "A Century of Ambivalence," the revolutionary road they chose seems fairly strewn with ironies. The remarkable ethnographic But perhaps they were right to expedition that collected and re- abandon the "Jewish figurative"

The 'Woods' Of Broadway

By Sheridan Morley International Herald Tribune

N EW YORK — There is more to the current New York the ater than British musicals, though with seven of them either playing or rehearsing this week you could be forgiven for thinking that it's not a lot. Broadway guides list 23 mainstream playhouses open, half the number in London's West End.

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Of those only four are offering new American drama, the rest being given over to imports or revivals. Far and away the most interest-

ing of the new plays is Lee Blessing's "A Walk in the Woods" (Booth), which deserves to pick up awards for the best new script of the season if only because it suggests, for the first time in my recolection since Arthur Miller's "Incident at Vichy" 25 years ago, that the commercial theater in New York can sustain, if only just, a Shavian debate about the nature of

humanity and power politics.
"A Walk in the Woods" starts from the truth of a Geneva disarmament conference a few years ago at which the leading Russian and American negotiators were able, on a walk in a nearby forest, to achieve at least a temporary degree of unanimity. But what we get now is a two-character confrontation in which a political odd couple, seated on a park bench, reminiscent of "Rappaport," sort out their per-sonal, national and ideological differences with an intelligence and

Sam Waterston as the callow

American and Robert Prosky at the wonderfully wise and witty old Soviet survivor, a Gromyko figure moving on toward Falstaff, give two performances which come as sharp reminders that the best American actors have not all gone over to movies.

At the Circle in the Square, Ni-

kos Psacharopoulos has a revival of "A Streetcar Named Desire," which gently dies of its own lethergic good taste. Avoiding almost all of Tennessee Williams's sensual deep-Southern sexual and mental anguish, Blythe Danner plays Blanche Du Bois as coolly as Grace Kelly in a Hitchcock thriller, while Aidan Quinn in the old Brando role of Stanley Kowalski seems to have wandered in from some situation comedy of New Orleans social em-

What is curious here is that traditionally Blanche, perhaps the greatest role written for a woman by mid-century American playwright, has usually been played by such English actresses as Jessica Tandy and Vivien Leigh who managed a kind of hmatic intensity in the role which is totally beyond Danner, who, instead of depending upon the kindness of strangers, seems merely to be wondering whether there might be somewhere more comfortable to stay the night.

The show that was for me the highlight of the week if not the year was Stephen Sondheim's "Into the Woods" at the Martin Beck. For musical comes as yet another indication of his breathtaking versatility and courage and invention. Vastly grimmer than the Grimm



Blythe Danner and Aidan Quinn in "A Streetcar Named Desire.

Brothers, this is the tale of a group geonsly high-camp wicked which of childhood characters led by Cinthe woods, holds the plot to i derella and Little Red Riding fairytale origins at first, but the Hood back into the woods of their gradually becomes a musical about legends, some years after their stories were supposed to have ended happily ever after.

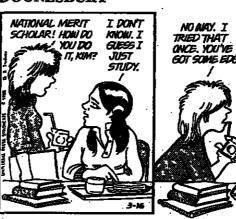
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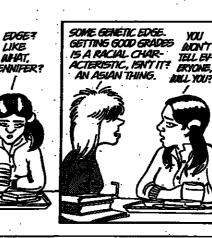
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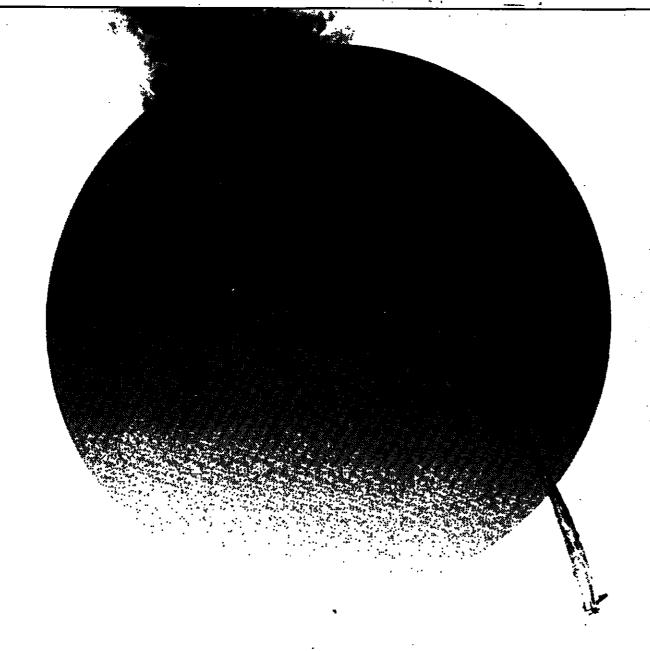
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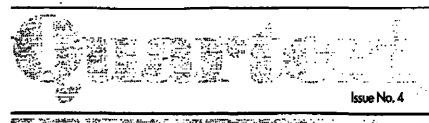
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Synchrotrons Are Joining The Chip Race

The secret of X-ray Whenever electrons change speed or direction, they give off radiation, such as X-rays

By William J. Broad

EW YORK — The race for dominance in making semiconductors, the tiny chips that carry electronic circuits, is entering a new phase as scientists, convinced that they have almost exhausted the present technology, strive to use X-rays to

make chips that are faster and more powerful.

In the mid-1990s, the winners of this contest are expected to rule the most advanced part of the \$100 billion annual chip market and to propel chip-related industries such as computer manufacturing to new heights.

The losers can expect an erosion of their industrial and military strength, which is intimately tied to high-technology systems.

Keenly aware of the stakes, the U.S. government earmarked \$25

million in the current budget to perfect the X-ray technology. But that is only a small fraction of what experts in the United States believe the Japanese and the Europeans are spending.

The goal of X-ray lithography, as the technique is known, is to use

giant particle accelerators known as synchrotrons to etch finer semiconductor circuits than before. The process would cram far more components onto the fingernail-

sized chips that drive most electronic devices, including computers. While the best chips today have a million or so circuits, future ones created with X-rays conceivably might hold up to a billion.

Such densities would allow vast increases in chip power and speed.

since it takes less time for electrical signals to zip among closely packed components. To date, most chip advances have come from shrinking the distance between circuits.

The contest has a sense of urgency because conventional methods are being pushed to the limit, because foreign competition is rising and because the technology itself has proven to be reliable after a decade of preliminary research Synchrotrons are close cousins of giant atom smashers and produce

X-rays obtainable in no other way.

Charles H. Ferguson, a former analyst (or the International Business Machines Corp. who is now at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Center for Technology, Policy and Industrial Development, said:
"Synchrotrons look like an extraordinarily powerful technology, but they will be very expensive to develop and operate. The projected capital cost of a synchrotron chip factory is \$500 million." Indeed, the X-ray goal is so ambitious and costly that no single corporation has the resources to achieve it.

'It's a very exciting period because of the federal funding," said David L. Huber, director of the Synchrotron Radiation Center at the University of Wisconsin. "The question is whether this is going to be

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constant change under which it develops. he development of science is not just a stion of having the financial resources. dies have shown that, historically, scientif-

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rogress and research is the result of perid initiative. The wil ness of individuals to challenge established h and beliefs has been a key element in the elopment of modern science.

n the West, it has been argued that scientifrogress has been facilitated by the West's at cultural, social and political diversity. or the centuries, this has permitted pockets leterodoxy to exist.

In this connection, it is useful to consider why the early spirit of scientific inquiry that existed in Islam and in China centuries ago has meanwhile declined.

In the West, scientific reasoning and research is the result of a number of factors, first among them being the idea of progress, the belief that tomorrow can be better than today.

This linear concept of time has its roots in Western civilization that it is not questioned and is expressed in the boundless horizons of modern technology.

Secondly, a major transformation took place between the 12th and 17th centuries. This led to the view that man could build heaven on earth, and that all that was needed to accomplish this was to understand the laws

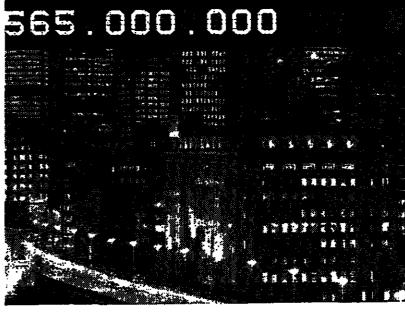
of nature and the work of the Creator, the "master clockmaker."

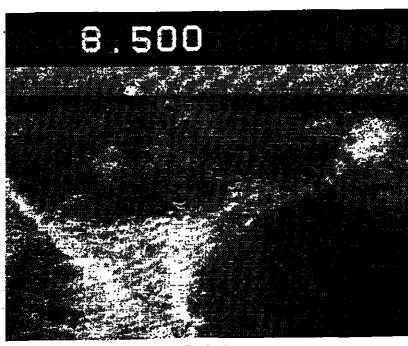
This change in Western thought created the precondition for modern science and the development of an "inquisitive culture." Now mandated to dominate nature, to progress and to build heaven on earth, Western man will probably never again abandon the search to understand why, how and what.

The Oriental tradition is much different. It seeks to live in harmony with nature, not to dominate it. It has a circular concept of time. Moreover, it believes that whatever can be explained is not eternal. The question of why?" does not have the same importance in this thinking as it does in the West.

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Superconductor Researchers Push Beyond Another Milestone

By James Gleick

EW YORK - With the discovery of yet another kind of superconductor, a distant cousin of the materials found in the breakthroughs of the last year, research on superconductivity has suddenly passed a new mile-

The first word of the new material that carries electric current with no loss to resistance came late in January from a team of Japanese scientists at the National Research Institute for Metals in Tsukuba.

Within days, a similar material was reported by scientists at the University of Houston. and more than a dozen laboratories in the United States and Europe have now succeeded in making the new superconductor.

For those trying to make wires and electronic applications out of this new generation of superconductors, the Japanese material seems to have some advantages. It works at a somewhat warmer temperature, and it may be less brittle, although, like the earlier versions, it is less a metal than a ceramic.

There are other differences. The two kinds of superconductors that set off last year's stampede of research relied on rare earths. but the new material is a compound of inexpensive, readily available elements; bismuth, strontium, calcium, copper and oxygen.

Meanwhile, a fourth material, containing thallium, barium, calcium, copper and oxygen, has been discovered by a group at the University of Arkansas. Although not as much is known about this thallium material. researchers at International Business Machines reported this month that they had confirmed that the material was a superconductor and raised the effective temperature to a record 125 kelvins, or 234 degrees below zero Fahrenheit.

For theorists, still struggling to explain the phenomenon, the discovery of two new hightemperature superconductors brings a different kind of benefit. They promise a new set of clues to the peculiar crystalline structures that make it possible for these substances to carry current with no resistance and to levitate in the presence of a magnetic field.

"Anyone who has tried to solve puzzles knows that three examples give you far better

One new material seems to offer advantages in electronic applications.

generalizations than two," said Philip W. Anderson of Princeton University. He is one of a small group of Nobel laureates putting forward theories that are plausible, but in-

The instant success with the bismuth and thailium superconductors comes as a sobering contrast to the scientists' widespread failure to duplicate many reports in recent months of superconductivity at room temperature and above. The "materials that go away." as they have become known, have produced measurements suggesting superconductivity for brief periods, tantalizing

and frustrating the discoverers.

The bismuth material, however, seems completely stable. Several groups have al-

ready offered diagrams of its crystal strucnure, including a team at Du Pont led by Arthur W. Sleight. Crystals have been grown and electron-microscope photographs taken.

Many different elements have now been found to participate in superconductivity, and physicists and chemists alike have had to struggle with the exceedingly complex struc-tures that nature can make when four or five atoms are involved, instead of just one, two or three. The potential complexity multiplies

"You're beginning to have the feeling that you have to put the whole periodic table together to make superconductors," said Angelica Stacey of the University of California at Berkeley. "What new structures might be possible if we look a little harder?"

How much current and how great a magnetic field the bismuth superconductor can sustain remain to be established. Those will be key measurements in determining the substance's practical value. With the most intensely studied new superconductor, an yttrium compound, a year of study has produced

The yttrium material's ability to support magnetic fields has proved astonishingly large, raising prospects of magnets far more powerful than any in use today. Even testing the upper limits of the superconductor has been a problem; only Japan has an instrument strong enough for the most extreme

Support for high levels of electric current has been a more troubling problem. In its bulk form, the version of the material that would be shaped into wires, the yttrium material has performed poorly. Researchers at many corporate laboratories are now focusing on the microscopic grains that make up the ceramics, and particularly the boundaries

between the grains, as possible sources of

Until new techniques of fabrication are developed, the modest current-carrying ability of the bulk materials will block such applications as long-distance transmission lines. which could potentially save vast quantities of electricity that are lest to resistance. Scientists suggest that applications of that kind

could be a decade or more away.

Progress has been far more rapid in deteloping thin films of the new superconductors. the form that will be necessary for computers and a wide range of electronic devices. Scientists at the International Business Machines Corp. and some other companies have already made thin films that carry enormous

The high-temperature superconductors have caused excitement because they require only the relatively inexpensive cooling of liquid nitrogen, which boils at about 77 kelvins, or 319 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. Their practical value will depend on their performance at that temperature.

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NASA's Challenge: Space Station Power

By Richard W. Stevenson

ANOGA PARK, California - Engineers designing the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's permanent space station are planning for the most part to use already developed. "off the shelf" technology to create the station, which will be assembled in Earth orbit in the mid-1990s.

However, one of their more demanding challenges will be supplying electricity to the station — 15 times more power than an American spacecraft has ever needed.

In the space station's first stage, the power will come from sunlight striking photovoltaic cells, the thin wafers of silicon that are most familiar as power sources for some pocket calculators. Since the photovoltaics already exist, the technological obstacles will be primarily those of scale - building 6,200 square feet (576 square meters) of the solar panels, storing the electricity and aiming the panels at the sun.

But the space station's second stage. scheduled for the late 1990s, will require new technology — a solar generator that passes gas through a chamber heated by molten salt in order to turn a turbine. The technology, called solar dynamic, has been tested on Earth but not in

Designing and building the power systems could cost \$2.3 billion or more and will involve a half-dozen of the contracts for the space station in De-

The Rockwell International Corp.'s Rocketdyne division heads the power system team. The others are the Ford Aerospace and Communications Corp.,

Phase two requires new technology.

the Harris Corp., the Garrett Corp., the General Dynamics Corp. and the Lockheed Corp.

Congressional appropriations cut-backs could delay the space station and lead to significant alterations in its design. But if NASA gets its way, it will be by far the largest and most versatile manned craft ever sent into orbit.

NASA envisions it as a veritable beehive of activity, with a crew of up to eight peering deep into the universe through sophisticated telescopes, creating commercial products and engaging in pure scientific and biological research in state-of-the-art laboratories.

All these tasks - not to mention operating the station's life support,

nation's major aerospace manufactur-ers. NASA awarded the first round of 24 hours a day over the expected 30-year life of the craft - are what will require

> The blueprint for the program's initial phase calls for a solar power system to provide 75 kilowatts of electricity, 15 times more than the United States has generated on any spacecraft and seven times more than the Soviet Union is producing for its orbiting Mir capsule. If the station is expanded in the late 1990s, another 50 kilowatts would be

In many ways, creating the photovol-taic system to generate the first 75 kilowatts is fairly straightforward. Electricity has been generated by photovoltaics on Earth and in space for many years; most satellites carry photovoltaic solar panels that produce one kilowatt or less to supply their electrical needs. The space station system, in its initial phase at least, would simply be bigger.

But the project holds many engineering challenges related to storing and tributing the electricity, ensuring reliability and ease of use and remaining within the weight and size dictated by the shuttle's cargo capacity. The sta-tion's parts will be ferried into orbit by the shuttle and assembled by astro-

The photovoltaic panels are the dominant visual feature of the station. Each of the four "wings" consists of two pan-els. Each panel measures 108 feet (33 meters) by 14.4 feet and contains thousands of silicon cells measuring 3.1 inch-

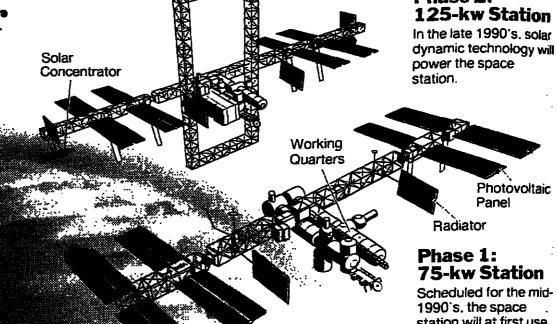
es (8 centimeters) by 3.1 inches. Each wing can be rotated to keep it facing the

The direct-current electricity genera ed by the solar panels is stored in nickelhydrogen batteries, which were chosen because they are lighter than the alternative, nickel-cadmium batteries. The batteries store sufficient energy to maintain an uninterrupted power supply, since the station will spend 30 of every 90 minutes out of sunlight.

The direct-current power stored in the batteries will then be converted into alternating current at a very high frequency of 20,000 hertz and a high voltage of 440 volts.

In the long run, however, the photo-voltaic system is not as efficient as solar dynamic technology, whose proponents say is less expensive and likely to be the new standard in the 21st century. Rocketdyne and its partners propose

to use a solar dynamic system based on a gas-driven engine using a design known as the Closed Brayton Cycle. On the space station, the Brayton technology will work by using a mirror to reflect sunlight onto a receiver. The receiver will contain pipes holding a eutectic salt-like substance composed of lithium fluoride-calcium difluoride. Within the receiver there will also be pipes carrying xenon and helium gas. The reflected sunlight will heat both the salt and the gas in the pipes. When the station is out of the sunlight, the heat energy stored in the salt will continue to



The heated gas will be run through a turbine that spins a generator, creating electricity. The gas is then cooled, compressed and run back through the cycle

NASA has always been wary of the solar dynamic system because of its me-

in a system, the greater the chances of a breakdown. But solar dynamic's proponents say that extensive testing has proved the technology's reliability. Moreover, Rocketdyne engineers say, solar dynamic will be more than four times as efficient in generating power as

Solar dynamic has another advantage. The huge panels of the photovoliasystem create drag because of the minute amounts of atmosphere still present in low-Earth orbit. The solar dynamic system provides up to a 60 percent reduction in drag per unit of power.

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British Scientists Under Pressure

By Barry James

ESEARCH for curiosity's sake is, according fering from stringent government budget cuts, having an increasingly difficult time under the government of Prime Min-ister Margaret Thatcher.

The government believes that its investment in scientific and technological research should have a payoff in the reasonable future. It also thinks private industry should make a far greater contribution to research and development, and that what research needs is a touch of American-style entrepreneurial spirit.

In a parliamentary debate on the engineering industry last week. a Conservative member of the House of Commons, Spencer Batiste, echoing the government line, said it was not good enough for academics with brilliant research careers to aim for a Nobel prize but to ignore completely the practical implications of their work.

But was Sir Isaac Newton thinking of the bottom line when he worked out the laws of planetary motion? Should scientific research be subject to market forces? Many scientists, who have seen their budgets cut and their laboratories underfunded, believe the government has gone too far in its cam-paign to inject a degree of commercial logic into research, and is now stifling work on which future

generations may depend.
Sir Roger Elliott, a professor of theoretical physics at Oxford University and vice president of the

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establishments are under pressure from the government to turn re-By this is meant, he said, "research which looks as though it will have application in the longer term, rather than basic research into such subjects as high energy physics or astronomy, where the potential results are very distant indeed if there are any at all."

Research is under pressure be-

Royal Society, the country's most prestigious scientific body, said in a telephone interview that science on changing in favor of applied

Advisory Board for Research Councils, which advises the government on how to distribute its overall research funds, said in a report last year that only between 20 and 25 percent of the science and engineering budget should go to basic research.

The science council argues that this is excessive and that the pro-

The Thatcher government is pushing for quicker payoff and practical results.

cause of severe cuts in grants to universities, which are wholly funded by the central government. Because of the difficulty of shedding tenured staff, the cuts have tended to fall disproportionately on money that was not committed in the long term, which often meant money that was there for

help with research projects. But scientific research is only one of many claimants at the communal trough. The government argues that it is up to the universities to attract more support from in-dustry, and up to industry to carry out more applied research on its own account. And this, in effect, has entailed and still does entail a change in the national culture.

A strong anti-industrial bias lingers in the home of the Industrial Revolution. By and large, a theoretical, classical or professional education is still likely to bring greater prestige and earning power than a training in applied science or technology. Even many science students go on to commercial or financial careers.

Of the 630 members of the House of Commons. scores are lawyers or accountants; only two are chartered engineers. By contrast, France promotes engineers and technologists through prestigious polytechnic schools and then gives them a greater say in industry and government. This enables the French to absorb and develop ambitious technological projects such as its growing network of high speed trains or its project to put small computer ter-

millions of homes. The Science and Engineering Research Council, through which funds are distributed to the various research institutions, has devoted 60 percent of its current budget of £366.28 million to basic "curiosity driven" science, and 40 percent to strategic science, com-

minals hooked up to telephones in

portion of its budget dedicated to pure science should not drop be-

low 40 percent. Engineers and technologists welcome the increasing emphasis on applied science as a long-needed corrective to a past concentration on theoretical research.

"The trick is to get the balance right," said Geoffrey Atkinson, a deputy secretary of the Fellowship of Engineers, the younger equiva-lent of the Royal Society. We have been very good at primary science in this country. We have had a lot of Nobel prize winners, a lot of inventions. But we have not been very good at translating that into industrial products for sale

around the world." "We've got to replace the old industries," Mr. Atkinson said. What matters is industrial production and exports and if you can get that right, if you get your economy right, then you can earn the money to put back into scientific

URING the parliamentary debate on the engineering industry last week, John Butcher, the under secretary of state for trade and industry, said Britain must recruit its cleverest students into engineering or risk decline against international rivals.

"There is industrial and commercial warfare in the international market." he said. "We are now locked in this open competition and we cannot light the battle without the assistance of the brightest and best of our youngsters in the front line of business, earning orders for the United Kingdom, making and selling things in the international mar-

The Royal Society's Dr. Elliott agreed that "there would be an advantage to changing the culture to some extent so that people at least think about the potential application even if they don't do ap-

plied research themselves." He said studies have shown that Britain's research standing vis-3vis other major countries "is ce tainly slipping."

The argument that the government is being short-sighted about long-term research needs applies particularly to the field of space exploration.

Earlier this year, a House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology strongly criticized the government's absence of commitment to joining its partners in the European Community in pursuing major space explora-

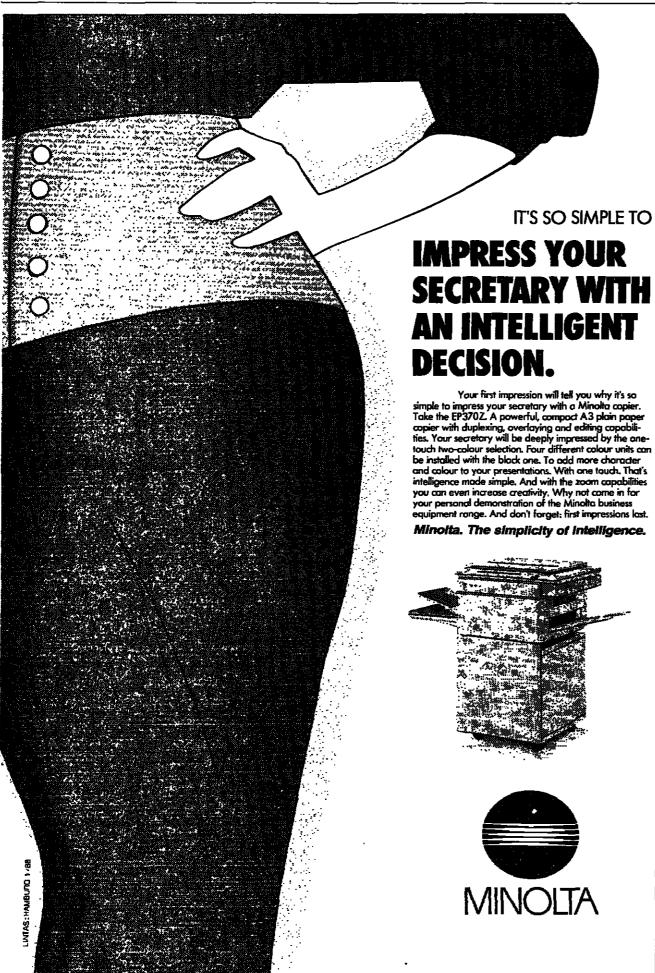
It said the government's space research budget of £112 million "gets the worst of all worlds - too much for real savings, too little for lasting achievements. If the budget is to stay at this figure, the United Kingdom might as well bow out of space now. The report stressed the importance of space research, however theoretical it may seem at the moment. "Countries involved in space in the 21st century will be the technological

leaders of the day," it said. But a government White Paper released in January made it clear that no more government money would be available for space technology. Britain has become an unpopular partner in the European Space Agency because it has vetoed increases in spending on the agency's science program unless there is an eventual market for

research projects. The kind of space plan that does appeal to the government's way of thinking is a private industry project, reported last week, to develop a low-cost rocket launcher to put satellites into low polar orbit from a base off the Norwegian coast. Although details of the consortium supporting the venture, and details of the rocket itself, still are secret, the concept is reported to have identified a global demand for small and relatively low-cost satellites by Third World countries and other users. Meanwhile. however. Britain appears to be content to leave it to others to push back the frontiers of space

"What's really so disappointing is that people don't seem to worry about the longer term," Dr. Elliott said. "The emphasis is all on short term needs. I think there was a real need to address the short term needs in commerce and industry at the beginning of this administration, but now the economy is turning around. Even in bad times, one needs to invest in the

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The Saga of the Seikan Tunnel

By Roy Garner

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OKYO — Tokyo's Ueno station was besieged by thousands of railroad fans on March 13, anxious to witness departure of the 4:50 P.M. "Hokutosci" sleeper express. The reason for the catalogue this was to train's destination, Sapporo, for this was to be the first direct run from Tokyo, on Jacobs the north-

pan's main island of Honshu, to the north-em island of Hokkaido, traveling via the newly commissioned Seikan tunnel. Nearly 54 kilometers (33 miles) in length, it is the world's longest undersea railroad tunnel. The opening of the Seikan bore is only the first major engineering success in Japan this year, the second being the inauguration on April 10 of the Seto Ohashi bridges, a 13-kilometer chain of tracks across the Inland Sea to link Honshu with Shikoku, another

Sea to link Honshu with Shikoku, another of Japan's four main islands.

Both of these massive construction projects were conceived amid the heady optimism of the 1960s, when providing fixed links among Japan's main islands seemed well within the nation's capabilities.

The Selkan tunnel, in particular, has since attracted widespread criticism. The availability of incorporate air travel and the

ability of inexpensive air trave and strapped finances of the national railroad network have made the outlay of 1.1 trillion yen (\$8.5 billion) on a rail link to a sparsely region appear almost reckless.

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The Seto bridge project, meanwhile, has not been accompanied by any clear regional development plan, nor a highway infrastructure, and critics foresee huge traffic jams when the bridge starts to channel the expected hordes of sightseers onto Shikolar's primitive road system. ku's primitive road system.

But the controversies have not diminished the technological achievements involved in the two projects. The tunnel is now widely recognized as one of the greatest achievements in tunnel engineering history.

The Seikan tunnel makes the forthcoming English Channel tunnel project appear modest in terms of overall scale and techni-cal difficulty. Whereas the English Channel substrata provides generally ideal tunneling conditions. Japan's engineers have had to overcome both a complex geological tangle 75-kw Static and the requirement to provide construc-

Boring beneath turbulent seas.

tion tolerances capable of withstanding the

region's frequent earthquakes. The tunnel was envisaged by the Japanese Imperial Army about 55 years ago, but geological surveys of the seabed beneath the stormy Tsugaru Strait only began in 1953. Researchers used sonio-wave, magnetism, artificial-earthquake and seabed-boring methods, but the complexity of the topogra-phy and strong currents of the strait made a

comprehensive survey impossible.

When engineers of the Japan Railroad Construction Corp. began tunneling work in 1964, they had to rely on the drilling of pilot bores to check the strata that lay ahead. Construction of the main tunnel, with an approximately 11-meter (36-foot) diameter, and a smaller parallel service tunnel of 4 to 5 meters in diameter, proceeded a mile or so behind the pilot shaft.

What the pilot tunnelers discovered was a combination of silt, tuff, shale and intermingled volcanic rocks, which often con-tained huge volumes of water. Major geological faults were encountered on nine occasions. In two instances, in 1976 and 1977, such faults were responsible for sudden flooding.
Difficulties such as these led to the Scikan

tunnel's high accident record of 34 workers killed and more than 700 injured. The prob-lems reached a peak during 1977, when it took four months to move forward just 40

meters.

The basic tunneling approach was to drill up to a mile ahead, using small-diameter rods, as a topography check. Next, a special grout, consisting of cement and liquid glass in roughly equal proportions was injected up to 70 meters forward at a pressure approximately four times that of the surrounding undersea ground water pressure. The grout solidified within about five minntes, after which excavations were resumed for a distance of 48 meters.

In the trickiest sections near the center of the tunnel, the full injection process alone took up to 20 days.

Despite all the difficulties, however, the

advance rate for the tunnel was approxi-

mately 2 kilometers per year.

Although designed to handle dual Shin-kansen "bullet train" tracks, the tunnel is currently only equipped to handle conven-tional trains. This will allow a cut of five hours in the present traveling time between the two islands, using train and ferry. But the future link now rests upon an August 1988 budget decision by the government on possible extension of the Shinkansen line from the south, which at the moment terminates in Morioka, about 200 kilometers short of the tunnel mouth.

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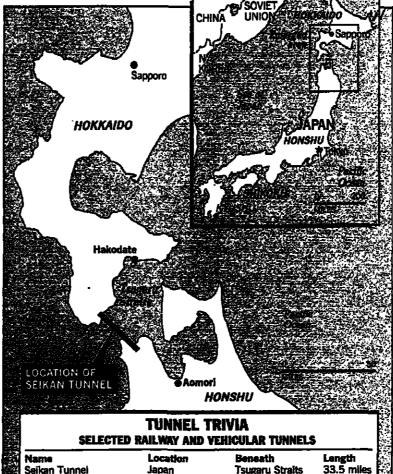
The Seto Ohashi bridge, which actually consists of three suspension bridges, four cable-stayed and truss bridges and four viaducts straddling five small islands of the Inland Sea, is another monument to engineering that is unlikely to see its full potential realized. It, too, has been constructed to form part of a future Shirikansen network. form part of a future Shinkansen network. The bridge expressway is expected to handle 25,000 cars per day and the availability of direct access to Shikoku will undoubtedly transform commerce in the re-

The chief problems facing engineers again concerned the elements. The bridge has been built to withstand earthquakes of up to magnitude 8 on the Richter scale, typhoon wind speeds of up to 50 meters per second and the swift tidal currents for which the Inland Sea is noted. In addition, engineers have had to provide super-tough paints and extensive maintenance equipment to cope with corrosive sea air.

With Shinkansen trains expected to run at speeds of up to 160 kilometers per hour (ordinary trains will reach 120 kilometers an hour), technical problems arose over pre-venting deformation of the suspension bridge spans. A transition girder system was adopted which allows expansion and angular bending at the point where the tracks pass onto the bridge.

Caissons were used in the construction of

the massive anchor blocks laid down at depths of up to 30 meters in the straits. With fast tidal currents placing restraints on the timing of concrete pouring, a mortar-mak-



Seikan Tunnel Simplon Tunnel Baltimore Harbor Tunnel

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ing barge was specially constructed for the

purpose, capable of pumping up to 500

The Seto Ohashi bridge system came with

a price tag of 13 trillion yen, mainly covered by government borrowings. It has the

world's fifth longest suspension span — the 1,100-meter Minami-Bisan-Seto bridge. But this, the Kojima-Sakaide route, is only the

first of three bridge routes for Shikoku.

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By 1998, the Kobe-Naruto link should be

in place. Among its spans will be the Akashi Kaikyo suspension bridge, at 1,990 meters almost half a kilometer longer than the

current record-holder spanning the Humber

estuary in northern England.

ROY GARNER, a journalist based in To-

Keeping an Eye On the Competition

M UCH to the chagrin of their U.S. competitors, dozens of foreign companies are financing projects at universities and other research institutions in the United States,

For example, Horchst A.G., the West German chemical company, sends about \$6 million a year to the molecular biology department of Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. In return, Hoechst has the right to market any findings.

In return for similar rights, Toshiba Corp, of Japan has contributed \$5.5 million to the University of Arizona for the study of digital radiography, which allows physicians to look inside a patient's body on a video screen without using X-rays.

Some U.S. industry executives argue that the United States is subsidizing foreign competitors by allowing such arrangements. Also, some U.S. companies say it is not fair to allow foreign companies, especially the Japanese, to have access to laboratories in the United States when American companies do not enjoy the same access in their

The exact amount of foreign investments in U.S. universities is not yet known. But universities, now required by law to inform the federal government of foreign fivestment in research projects, are to issue their first reports in June. (NYT) their first reports in June.

A Bio-Tech 'Bug'

has produced an enzyme that will split fatty acids. This means that those troublesome gravy spots that won't come out in the laundry may finally yield.

Novo Industri, the Danish enzyme maker, this month begins marketing a detergent enzyme made with biotechnology techniques using the aspergillus bacterium, found in fungi. Novo officials said their product, named Lipolase and being manufactured at a plant in Japan, was the first fat-splitting detergent enzyme to be available at prices and quantities attractive to detergent manufacturers. The company says Lipolase will give detergent manufacturers new product opportunities.

How One Company Mobilized To Develop a Test for AIDS

By Jacques Neber

ARIS - Last December, a small strip of molded plastic smeared with French bio-technology helped American doctors de-tect the first person in the United States infected with HIV-2, the second AIDS virus, which had been discovered less than two years earlier.

The patient, a woman from a West African country, did not have any of the known risk factors associated with AIDS, or acquired immune delicancy syndrome, the fatal disease that attacks the body's immune system. The presence of the virus had also not been detected by tests used since 1985 to screen

"This was a very dangerous case," said Dr. Chris-tian Policard, president of Diagnostics Pasteur, the company that developed the test for the HIV-2 virus. Theoretically, it was possible for this woman to denate her blood and thereby infect many others with AIDS without ever being detected," he added. -The HIV-2 test, currently marketed in several

European and African countries, has yet to be approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. But Diagnostics Pasteur — a joint venture between the Pasteur Institute and France's second largest pharmaceutical company, Sanofi — is optimistic that this woman's case will help it receive quick approval to distribute the product, Elavia HIV-2, in the United

Elavia HIV-2 is the only commercially available test for the HIV-2 virus, though Dr. Policard acknowledges that many of his competitors are working on similar products.

Pushed by competitive pressures, Diagnostics Pasteur was able to develop Elavia HIV-2 in record time -only 13 months after the HIV-2 virus was discov-

They were quick off the mark," said Andrew Tivenan, a pharmaceutical industry analyst with

Test kit by Diagnostics Pasteur.

employee company. The service groups specialize in various biotechnolgy fields, such as growing cells, recombinant protein, peptides and amigens.

The concept behind the AIDS test is relatively

uple. It seeks to indicate the existence of the virus in a blood sample by detecting antibodies, which are normally produced several weeks after a virus is introduced in the body.

The test kit is composed of a plastic strip with two wells. One well is coated with a biochemical solution wells. One well is coared with a bicchemical solution that includes an extract of lymphocytes, or white blood cells, bearing the lab-cultured HIV-2 virus. The other well, designed as a control, is coated with identical cells that have not been infected with the

In a test, part of the blood sample is poured in both wells. If the blood is carrying the HIV-2 virus and, therefore, its antibodies, those antibodies will begin reacting with antigens of the lab-produced virus in the first well. The reaction, aided by certain enzymes, causes the well to turn a yellow-orange within three

If the blood sample is healthy, there would normally be no color change. However, up to 3 percent of normal blood samples may carry nonspecific anti-bodies not linked to the AIDS virus. These antibodies could react with the lymphocyte cells themselves, also causing a yellowish coloration.

To prevent misreading this result as positive, the control well is used. The nonspecific antibodies would cause the same coloration in the control well, indicating that they, not the HIV-2 antibodies caused the reaction.

Only if there were a significant difference in the color density in the two wells could doctors conclude that the blood sample actually was carrying the HIV-2 AIDS antibodies and, therefore, the AIDS virus. The control well reduces the chance of false posi-ve readings from 0.5 percent to 0.15 percent. Dr. Policard is secretive on exactly how the prod-

not was developed, noting that patents are pending on all facets of the manufacturing process, including a patent on the HIV-2 virus itself. However, he revealed that researchers had to overcome several major obstacles to develop the test. They had to learn how to cultivate the HIV-2 virus after discovering that it did not grow nearly as easily as the HIV-1. Then came the task of purifying the

virus after it was grown in the culture. There was also the problem of de-activating the virus, actually killing it, while still preserving its ability to spark an immunological reaction when exposed to a blood sample carrying the AIDS anti-

Because of similar properties of the two AIDS viruses, tests for the HIV-1 can detect the presence of the HIV-2 in 70 percent of the cases, researchers say. However, that leaves a 30 percent chance that the virus would go undetected, thus creating demand for specific HIV-2 screening tests for clinics and blood

The market for Elavia HIV-2, which sells for the equivalent of \$3 to \$4, will largely be a function of the virus's spread. Outside of Africa, where it is believed to have originated, HIV-2 has been detected in Portugal, Spain, Italy, France. Sweden and several South

American countries. Currently, the size of the market for HIV-2 tests is around 5 percent of the \$150 million worldwide market for HIV-1 tests.

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They were quick off the mark?

James Capel & Co. in London. "Diagnostic products normally take 18 months to two years to develop." The product's rapid creation, Dr. Policard said resulted from the successful blend of commercial demands and the company's proximity to a storehouse of AIDS-related research at the Pasteur Insti-tute. The institute first identified the HIV-2 virus and shared credit with U.S. researchers for the discovery of the HIV-1 virus.

"We have a special organization," he said. "There are no barriers between basic and applied research. We send our people to the Pasteur Institute and they send their people to us. We don't lose information and we don't lose time."

He said that this cross-pollination permits near elimination of the usual transfer period — the time hormally required to move from scientific discovery to commercial application. The physical distance is also eliminated, as the joint venture company is situated in the heart of the

Pasteur Institute's compound at Garches, outside Commercial incentives are used at the laboratory to encourage effective teamwork. Dr. Policard said that a significant portion of the money earned by members of a research team is tied to a bonus system

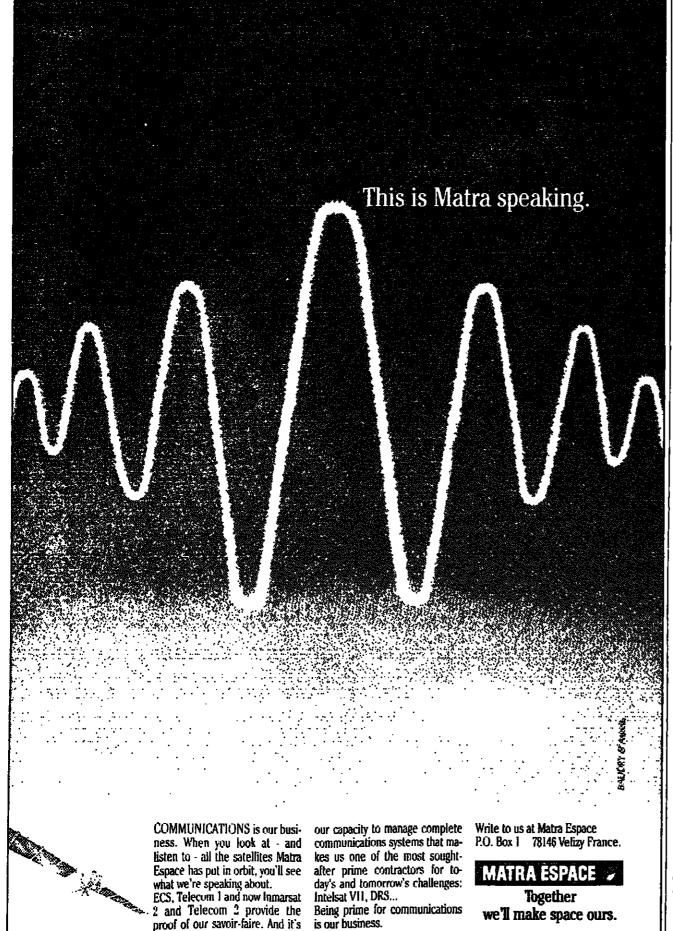
that rewards that team's success and speed. However, perhaps most important in Elavia HIV-2's development was the fact that Diagnostics Pasteur had immediate access to the populations infected with the virus, principally in Africa. The Pasteur Institute maintains 27 research facilities around the

"An AIDS test must be tested, and you can't do that without infected blood samples," noted a spokesman for F. Hoffmann-La Roche, the Swiss competitor of Diagnostics Pasteur. "Pasteur has good relations in Africa and that has provided Diag-nostics Pasteur with plenty of blood samples. It will

take us much longer to get these samples."

According to Dr. Policard, Diagnostics Pasteur needed only two months to develop a prototype test

once the virus was isolated. A project was given to a six-member team that could call on various "service" groups within the 500-



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Technology

Siemens, Philips Challenge Big 2

By Ronald van de Krol

FTER five years of feverish and costly joint research. Siemens AG and Philips NV are poised to give Japan and the United States a run for their money in the race to market large quantities of a new generation of "submicron"

The West German and Dutch electronics companies — Europe's largest — hope to start commercial submicron production by the middle of next year, putting themselves in a posttion to prevent Japan and the United States from totally dominating this strategically im-

portant new market. "It's always been our goal to have the technology to proceed with commercial production by mid-1989, and Philips still expects to reach this goal," said Cor Vreven, a Philips spokesman in Amsterdam.

Philips and Siemens, normally competitors in the field of integrated circuits, decided in 1984 that they would have to pool their research resources if they wanted to catch up with efforts by Japanese and U.S. competitors

to build submicron chips.

When Philips and Siemens began their joint research, they were estimated to be as much as two years behind in submicron technology. Now, toward the end of a research effort costing about 1.5 billion guilders (\$790 million) dustry sources estimate that this time lag has

been reduced to a year or less.

Although the two European partners may still find that a Japanese or U.S. competitor beats them to the market, Philips and Siemens believe their own chips will be ready in time to profit from the high prices that the chips will command in their early years in the 1990s. "The market potential for these chips is

huge. There will be so many different types and so many different applications, that demand will not be restricted to the coming one or two years but will extend far into the future," Mr. Vreven said.

The submicron chip, which is also known as a megachip, is a tiny integrated circuit with a gigantic memory ranging from one to four multion bits of information (one megabit or

four megabits).

The chip is based on submicron technology. In other words, the size of each of its constituent parts is smaller than a micron, which in turn is equivalent to one-thousandth of a milli-meter or one-hundredth the diameter of a hu-

The megachip itself is slightly smaller than a human finger nail, contains six million to eight million transistors and can store enough infor-mation to fill six pages of newspaper text.

Under the terms of their chip partnership. Siemens and Philips are working closely together on the scientific and research aspects of submicron technology, but they will go their separate ways when they reach the production and marketing stage.

In fact, the two companies are actually concentrating on two distinct kinds of chips. Philips is working on a one-megabit chip with a static random access memory (S-RAM) that will be used mainly in consumer and car electronics and in telecommunications. Siemens,

The companies decided in 1984 they would have to pool research resources.

on the other hand, is developing a four-megabit chip with a dynamic random access memory (D-RAM) that has applications mostly in

data processing.

The one-megabit chip uses less energy than the four-megabit chip, making it ideal for portable, battery-operated consumer goods, like Walkman personal hi-fi systems. Despite the one-megabit chip's smaller memory, it is as difficult to develop and produce as the four-megabit circuit, explaining why the two com-panies have decided to band together to master

the basic principles of submicron technology. Last year, both companies succeeded in pro-ducing a laboratory model of the chips they

hope to bring to market next year.

"The laboratory model was equipped with all the functions that the commercially produced chips will eventually have, and that means we can say that our technology works and that Philips can now concentrate on industrializing the production process," said Mr.

Vreven of Philips.
Siemens has built a pilot production line in Munich for the four megabit chip, but the company has not yet made a final decision on where mass production is to take place.

"We expect that the world's electronics industry will be ready to start industrial production [of four megabit chips] in late 1989 or early 1990, and we also expect that Siemens will be ready then too," a company spokermain Munich said.

Philips, bused in the town of Eindhoven, hatwo factories under construction - one in the Dutch town of Nijmeyen, another in Ham hare. It has also recently opened a chip design center and a chip technology center in Lindha ven Together, the investments will coat the company around 2 billion guilders.

These costs come on top of the 1.5 billion guilder bill for submicron research, which is being split three ways between Philips Sie mens and a joint subside from the Dutch and West German governments.

The staggering expense of research into new chip technology is just one of the factors in hind the launch of the Philips. Siemens project one of the most ambitious European research projects ever undertaken

Another factor is time. The pace of innovation in chip technology has increased so sharp by during the 1980s, that it is difficult for companies to keep up, especially European companies which already lagged behind the industry leaders in the United States and Japan. European electronic groups like Siemens and Philips need to stay abreast of one-mega-bit and four-megabit technology if they are to compete in the 1990s in the development of more powerful, more infinitesimal chaps for example, the 16-megabit and 64-megabit chip

While Philips is Europe's largest producer of integrated circuits, it ranks 10th worldwide behind Japanese and U.S. manufacturers, Europe's combined share of the world market for integrated circuits is only about 10 percent compared to nearly 50 percent for Japan and 40 percent for the United States.

For these reasons, European firms will probably need to work together even more closely. as technology advances toward the creation of chips made up of smaller and smaller parts.

Although the Philips Siemens partnership will formally end when commercial production of one-megabit and four-megabit begins next year, it is likely to be extended in some other form to include, perhaps, other European com-

Mr. Vreven said that major European companies and scientific research institutes were currently drawing up a plan to prepare indus-try for the chip technology of the 1990s. They hope to have their blueprint ready sometime this year, including an estimate of how much money the next round of research will cost the companies and their national governments.

RONALD VAN DE KROL is a journalist

Synchrotrons Are Joining the Chip Race

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enough or whether the Germans or Japanese are going to get a long lead on us."

pioneered many of the technologies being exploited today around the world to perfect X-ray lithography.

Until now, light has been the key to chip-making in a process known as photo lithography. First, large drawings are made of com-plex patterns for tiny circuits, and then these drawings are drastically reduced in size and transferred onto a tiny mask like a photo graphic negative. Finally, bright light shining through this mask etches circuits atop silicon wafers coated with photo-sensitive chem-

As circuits have become smaller over the years, it has been necessary to use light with ever-shorter wavelengths to maintain sharpness in circuit features. (The length of the waves of light have to be smaller than the chip features they are trying to etch.) Chip makers have now pushed past the visi-ble part of the electromagnetic spectrum into the ultraviolet region and cannot progress further with conventional methods.

The smallest features of the best chips are about one micron in size, or one-hundredth the diameter of a human hair. The goal in X-ray lithography is to reduce features to possibly as small as one-tenth of a micron.

"There are increasing problems as you shrink dimensions," said Alan D. Wilson, manager of chip lithography for IBM's Watson Research Center in Yorklown Heights, New York, "The billiondollar question" is how to go be-yond the problems to perfect a new chip-making process.

One way is to exploit some of the smallest wavelengths — those of X-rays. The problem is that the right kind of X-rays, "soft" ones close to the ultraviolet region, are

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A microscopic view of an IBM test etching done with X-ray lithography. The onemicron line is about one-hundredth the width of a human hair.

too "hard." their wavelength being so short that they tend to pass through matter rather than react-

ing with it.

Soft X-rays for the tiniest circuits will probably come from one of the biggest devices of all: the circular atom smashers that can

The key insight began as a nui-sance. Several decades ago, parti-cle physicists noticed that whirling electrons emitted radiation that interfered with experiments. The principle behind the problem was simple. Whenever electrons are forced to change speed or direc-tion, they give off electromagnetic radiation, such as light or X-rays.

In the 1970s, researchers realized this phenomenon had enormous research potential and soon began building the circular syn-chrotrons to shed radiation rather

difficult to produce. The X-rays used by doctors and dentists are built at universities and U.S. laboratories, mainly for studying the oratories, mainly for studying the structure of molecules. But industry scientists, especially those at IBM, have also used these sites to pioneer X-ray lithography. Since 1980. IBM has worked at the Brookhaven National Laboratory near Upton, New York, most recently on a synchrotron about 50 feet (15 meters) in diameter.

One question is whether these sprawling machines can be made small and cheap enough so that companies can use them in factories for X-ray lithography.

West Germany and Japan have already embarked on table-top synchrotrons about six feet in diameter. IBM has contracted to have a 20-foot prototype machine built at its chip factory in East Fishkill. New York, reportedly at a cost of \$15 million.

Such compact machines would depend on ultra-strong superconU.S. researchers fear will be difficult for industry to master.

Michael Knotek, chairman of

the National Synchrotron Light -Source project at the Brookhaven National Laboratory, said that industry should build both "warm" and "cold" synchrotrons for X-ray lithography.

"The Japanese are going both routes," he said. "We need to do that too.

Japan's Ministry of Internation - 12al Trade and Industry reportedly plans to spend \$700 million the year to aid in the design and building of a working X-ray lithographic system. Analysis say that chip makers around the world may want to buy 100 to 150 of the small synchrotrons in the next decade at costs of about \$10 million each.

Since 1986, Brookhaven has held five workshops for American chip makers to discuss synchrotrons and X-ray lithography and has produced two prototype de-

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Japanese Culture and Scientific Research

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diversity and the development of an "inquisitive culture" are the necessary conditions for developing contemporary science, we can also conclude that Japan will confront great diffi-culties in developing an original and creative scientific establishment.

Consensus-building, the submission of the individual to the team and respect for hierar-chy are characteristics of the Japanese system. Furthermore, Japan is the least diverse large country in the world from a cultural and ethnic

While it might be said that these factors undermine invention, it can be concluded that these same Japanese characteristics can help innovation rather than hinder it. Fluid communication and teamwork are vitally important in orchestrating complex processes and turning an idea into a marketable product.

A mind-set that expresses itself in organizational behavior, structures and systems can help shorten product and process development, remove the barriers between research and marketing, between development and production, and in the process increase the

chances that innovations will succeed in the The question is whether, in the further devel-

opment of science, the historical pattern will hold true, or whether we are facing a transition from individualistic discovery to teamwork. An indication that we may be headed that

way lies in the decreasing number of single-author scientific papers. More and more papers are authored by teams. A more balanced process seems to be emerging and if this is so, Japan could be better equipped to handle new scientific and innovative processes than might seem to be the case. Another consideration is that diversity to-

day can be measured on a global rather than a national or regional scale. Furthermore, the free flow of information means that most technical knowledge, particularly of a scientific nature, is now being transferred across borders and is available to everybody.

Additionally, since there is no inherent reason why scientific knowledge needs to be conducted in a purely national context, more and more people of all nationalities are gravitating to postgraduate studies at centers of excellence regardless of where they are located.

One can conclude that perhaps the relative

position of countries in the development of basic science is less important than their capacity to innovate and their ability to create wealth out of technical as well as conceptual

On the corporate level, a growing number of companies are running into a scarcity of mana-gerial and technical talent. This is forcing them to recruit internationally, and this is where familiarity with the world's cultural diversity becomes a distinct advantage.

It is in this context that the homogeneity of Japan becomes a hindrance because it makes it difficult to absorb foreign talent. In the same connection, as new technology and market trends increase the complexity of new products, understanding the cultural characteristics of such markets and their social diversity is

Thus, the formidable challenge for Japan lies more in its own cultural traditions and the way they are expressed in Japanese enterprises than in the country's ability to develop science-Managers, scientists, academics, policy-makers and corporations will have to fully understand cultural differences in the global economy, for these can affect business in unexpected





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MADISON AVENUE

General Mills Hires Kids To Interview Other Kids

By BRUCE HOROVITZ

Los Angeles Times Service OS ANGELES - Most grown-ups know General Mills Inc. as a maker of breakfast cereals. But many children don't know General Mills from General Grant. These same kids, however, are very familiar with the names of its breakfast cereals, such as Cocoa Puffs and Count Chocula, and

its toys, like Play Doh and Strawberry Shortcake. Children, of course, aren't supposed to know much about General Mills. For its part, however, General Mills is trying to learn all it can about 6- to 12-year-olds. There are about 20 million American youngsters in this age bracket, and they eat a

lot of cereal. Advertising aimed at children has long been controversial

"Kids are

becoming more

brand-conscious.

more media-conscious

because it seems to prey on the naïvete of youngsters as consumers. But advertisers say that the opinions of children can mean the life or death of some products.

"Kids are becoming more hrand-conscious, more mediaconscious and more vocal, said Peter Benziger, senior vice president at Child's Play,

and more vocal." a division of the Greenwich, Connecticut-based research concern Moran & Tucker. What's more, many mothers in dual-income families feel guilty

researchers merely record the answers.

about not spending enough time with their children, said Arlyn Brenner of Child Research Services, a division of McCollum-Spielman Research of Great Neck, New York. "So they reward the kids by letting them pick out the products they like."
With children making more decisions, General Mills is eager to

influence them with its ads. And it has found that adult researchers don't always relate well to children. So now it has changed the way it uses interview sessions held in shopping centers. Instead of using adults, it now lets youngsters ask the questions.

Recently, General Mills dispatched its researchers to the interview rooms at shopping malls where commercials are tried out on potential customers. But this time, the adult researchers were not the ones asking children the probing questions afterward.

"We picked a boy to ask the questions," said Kathy Welander, a General Mills research consultant, "because young girls will listen to boys, but young boys won't tolerate listening to girls."

The 13-year-old is on videotape. In a 10-minute presentation, the hired actor introduces himself to the other kids, shows the commercial and then asks a series of questions. The adult

HE QUIZ becomes a game to see what the youngsters remember and what they like or dislike. "We think we know what we mean when we say something in an ad," Miss Welander said. "But maybe one little thing in the commercial will offend the child or teen-ager that we're trying to reach."

Colgate-Palmolive Inc. wants its two ad agencies to take stock in Colgate. Literally. So, Reuben Mark, president and chief executive of Colgate, is doing something about it. Every time employees at one of its ad agencies, from those who create ads to those who buy media time, are assigned to handle the Colgate account, they are sent a framed stock certificate good for a handful of shares of Colgate stock.

"It's purposely designed to make this a long-term relationship," Mr. Mark said. "And immediately, the creative process

Mr. Mark estimates that about \$120,000 worth of Colgate stock has been handed out over the past three years to workers at

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Générale Investors To Meet

Board Schedules April 14 Face-Off

BRUSSELS — Société Générale de Belgique SA, the target of a two-month takeover battle, said Tuesday it would hold a long-awaited meeting of its warring shareholders on April 14.

The gathering promises a show-down between the Italian financier Carlo de Benedetti and a rival alliance of French and Belgian companies unless the two camps can settle their battle for control of the vast

conglomerate before then. Générale dominates strategic areas of the Belgian economy and has interests in more than 1,300 comnanies worldwide. Its board set the date for the shareholders' gathering at a weekly meeting.

Both sides had requested the shareholders meeting. Mr. de Bene-detti, who announced a hostile bid for effective control of the company in mid-January, says that he and his allies hold around 48 percent of the shares, assuming that all outstanding warrants are exercised. He is seeking a further 7 percent through a public offer that expires

The rival Franco-Belgian group says it has 50,7 percent and that it s thwarted Mr. de Benedetti's

bid for control.

On the agenda at the meeting will be a proposal by Cerus, Mr. de Benedetti's French investment firm, that he and his leading Belgian allies, the executives Andre Leysen and Pierre Scohier, be appointed to Generale's board. Mr. Leysen is chairman of the

Belgian holding company Gevaert NV and Mr. Scohier is managing chairman of Cobepa, the Belgian subsidiary of the French investment bank Paribas.

Members of the rival group are bound by legal agreements not to sell their shares to the Italian financier or his friends.

But such pacts among shareholders are illegal in Belgium, and analysts said that Mr. de Benedetti hoped that some companies in the rival alliance would back his prosals at the meetir

Cerus also has said it will request that shareholders revoke the powers of Generale's board to use au thorized capital. In a legally disputed move, Genérale issued 12 million new shares in January to defend itself against Mr. de Bene-

Waging the War Over Wages

How GE and a Union Agreed to Cut Pay and Save Jobs

By William Glaberson New York Times Service FORT WAYNE, Indiana They make motors here at General Electric Co.'s aging plants on Taylor Street and on Broadway, and they want to keep making them. They like to say they are the best motor makers in the

This is the story of why, begin-ning next month. GE workers here and in nine cities in nearby states will earn less every hour than they do now. It is a story that could be about any one of a hundred gritty, old American manufacturing businesses strug-gling to compete in the 1990s. It

is a story about bitter choices. Last month, after GE said wages were too high to keep its motor business competitive. workers in Fort Wayne voted more than 2 to 1 to save their jobs and accept a pay cut. "Everybody has choices in life." said Jim Daughtry. a local union leader. "Sometimes the choices you have are kind of bad."

Workers at many foreign mo-tor plants, including GE's own. earn one-tenth the amount that American companies pay at home. "There's a bunch of guys in Thailand, Korea and Brazil who get up every morning and try to figure out how to eat your lunch and take your market share, and you've got to deal with it," said David C. Genever-Watling, the motor division's

When the division's 7,250 workers accepted a cut of \$1.20 from their \$11 hourly wage. GE promised to pour \$200 million into domestic motor plants.

The pact is an important step for GE: It could encourage the company to recommit its re-sources to manufacturing in the United States. It may also give the giant corporation a powerful new weapon against its unions.

But perhaps most important, the deal is the latest in a decade or so of unhappy partnerships between American companies and their workers, in which each side makes concessions to stay alive in the face of foreign com-

GE's strategic moves have al-ways been watched carefully by the rest of U.S. industry, and its labor agreements have long set



wire mill in Fort Wayne, Indiana, run by General Electric Co.'s motor division. Inset. David C. Genever-Watling, the division's chief, who proposed that GE seek pay concessions.

the pace in the electronics busi-

If "let's all face reality together" is a current theme in industrial America, GE's implementation of it in Fort Wayne is a case study in its execution —in carrying out what Mr. Genever-Watling calls that "very difficult con-versation" in which managers tell their workers they must roll back years of hard-earned gains to keep their plants open.

The motor-division campaign at GE began formally on Oct. 15,

when plant managers at 12 factories began reciting written presentations at the same moment. In the old brick headquarters building at Fort Wayne, they called it "launch day." But even after months of planning, managers did not know what to expect from workers.

"We had talked about everything from tears and grief to anger and disruption," said John D. Hofmeister, the division's personnel manager. Those pre-See ALLIANCE, Page 18

RepublicBank, Hit by Bad Debt, Seeks U.S. Aid

DALLAS — First Republicate estate loans the bienest independent who are taking every possible Bank Corp., the biggest indepen-

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posted a loss of \$656 nullion last "The decision to approach the difficulties without as or ance from the EDMC "but as of the difficulties without as of ance from the EDMC "but as it in House or the FDIC is, in our judgment, impor-

tant to providing a stable environs, are now autoconcing tras changed ment for First RepublicBank's cus-tomers, said Gerald W Fronterhouse, the firm's chairman have and chief executive officer. Mr. Fronterhouse and the company's board were meeting Tues-

day. As First RepublicBank struggled with the bad loans, depositors have grown increasingly uneasy about the bank's future. In a five-day period last month.

the bank's deposits shrank by \$600 million. On Feb. 21, the bank said deposits for the total bank holding company had declined by about 4.5. percent in the first six weeks of the

The statement triggered speculation that U.S. government regulators were preparing a bailout planfor the bank.

First RepublicBank was formed ast year in a merger of Republic-Bank Corp. and InterFirst Corp. It suffered a loss last year primarily because about 17 percent of its \$15. billion debt portfolio was either past due or had been renegotiated. The bank stands to lose another \$450 million this year, reports indi-

At the end of 1987, the bank had total deposits of \$25.49 billion, Assets totaled \$30.2 billion at June 30, 1987.

Generally, the FDIC, which insures bank deposits up to \$100,000, grants assistance if it determines that keeping the bank open would be less costly to the government than letting the bank fail. Mr. Fronterhouse said that First

dent banking company in Texas, measure to serve the best interests. said Tuesday it would seek federal of our customers whose part ering assistance as it wrestles with bil- our efforts to revitable the finallions of dollars in bad real estate. Colomstitution which is important

to Texas," he said. "We will continue to serve the hold preliminary discussions with meeds of our customers against any the Federal Deposit Insurance disruption," he and "Memorable Corp. to restructure and recapital our program to address the proplems of our troubled beau portions,

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FirstRepublic Bank officials attempted last month to compat rumore that the bank was confidence merging with another fin including sutunen. The bank purchased fullnage newspaper advertisements to assure customers that their deposits

were safe.
"I think in light of everything that has happened over the last menth, it's her surprising to see this?" said brank Anderson, an independent bank industry consul-

tant in Dallas. "It's med all the alternatives offier than the FDIC and I guess they haven't worked out. The is the last

alternative." he said in its biggest bank re-cue to far the FDIC pumped \$5 billion into Continental lilinois Corp. in July 1984. The buildut included clean-

ing up \$4.5 billion of problem

loans, largely to the energy busi-Continental's assets totaled \$35. billion at the time of the rescue, Itsassets have shrunk dramatically, from a peak of \$47 billion in 1981 to about \$33.4 billion last year.

While the Chicago-based bank has survived, earnings have remained anemic. Continental re-ported a loss of \$235.8 million in the fourth quarter of 1987, in contrast to a profit of \$43.5 million a year earlier. For the year, it had a loss of \$609.5 million, compared with a profit of \$164.4 million the RepublicBank was trying to solve previous year. 44P. Reutersi

Automakers In U.S. Post Gain in Sales

DETROIT — Led by a healthy jump in purchases of Ford Motor Co. vehicles, domestic sales of U.S.-made cars and light trucks rose 6.3 percent in early March from the comparable period in 1987, automakers reported Tues-But the industry leader, General

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Venez kelity 26,75 Motors Corp., did not share the strong increases enjoyed by Ford and Chrysler Corp. Despite sales incentives, GM's

domestic car sales fell 13 percent in early March from a year earlier, and its light-truck sales dropped 1.5 percent, the automaker report-

Despite the addition of new mid-size models, GM's domestic car sales fell to 95,372 from 97,487 a year ago. GM's light truck sales fell lightly to 42,489, or 4,721 a day, from 38,327, or 4,790 a day, in early March 1987. Ford said its combined domestic

car and light-truck sales were the highest for early March since 1979. Domestic car sales jumped 21.4 percent to 68,859 in early March from 50,407 a year ago. The com-pany's light truck sales rose 18.1 percent to 46,073 in early March from 34,685 a year ago. Sales of Chrysler domestic cars

rose 18.3 percent to 34,667 from 26,046 a year ago. Sales of Chrysler domestic light trucks jumped 24.1 percent to 25,287 from 18,108 a

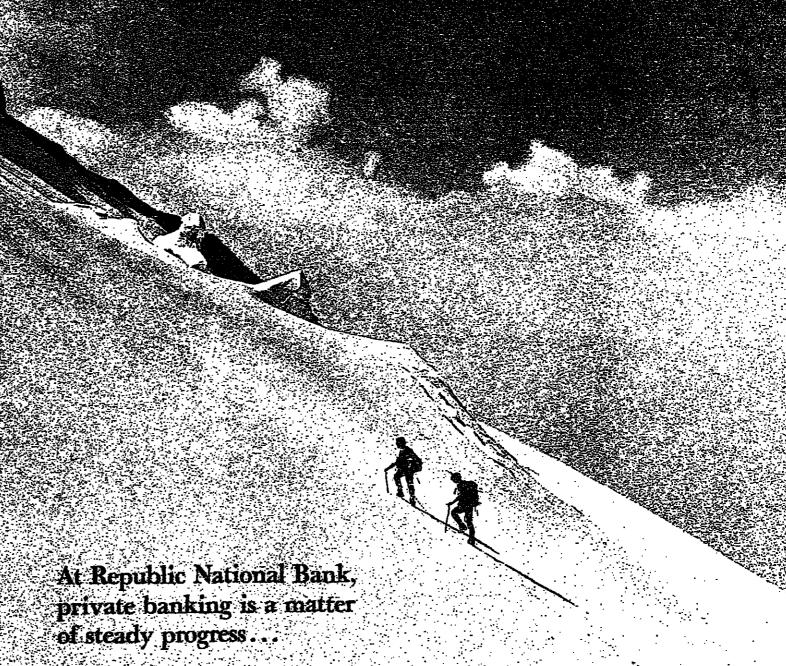
The eight companies that build cars and trucks in the United States sold 328,437 units in the nine selling days from March 1-10. That was up from 274,626 in the comparable period of March 1987, which

included eight selling days.

The percentage that sales fell or increased is a comparison of average daily sales during the period, not of the straight numbers of vehicles sold in early March this year and last year. Automakers sold 211,772 do-

mestic cars in early March, up 3.5 percent from 181,820 a year ago. and 116,665 light trucks, up 11.7 percent from 92,806 a year ago. GM's share of the domestic car market fell nearly 9, percentage points in early March to 45 percent from 53.6 percent a year ago.
Ford held 32.5 percent of the

domestic car market, up from 27.7 percent a year ago. No. 3 Chrysler held 16.4 percent of the domestic car market, up from 14.3 percent. Together, the Big Three held 93.9 percent of the domestic car market.



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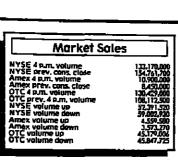
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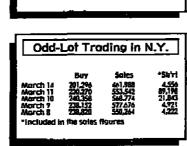
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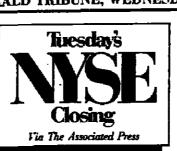


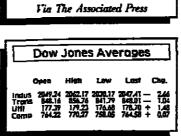
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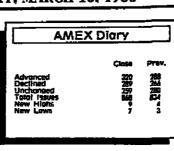


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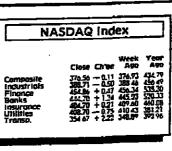




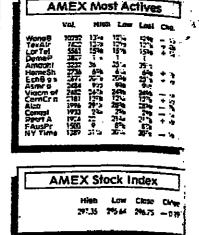
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NYSE Mixed in Slow Trading

NEW YORK - Prices on the New York Stock Exchange turned in a lethargic performance Tuesday as prices closed mixed in slow trading.

Traders said the market was held in check by concern over forthcoming economic data.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 15.09 Monday, fell 2.66 to close at 2,047.41. Some late buying allowed the index to trim an 11-point decline registered earlier in the day. Advances, however, edged declines by a nar-row margin. Volume totaled 133.17 million

shares, up slightly from 131.89 million traded on Monday, which was the slowest session so far this year.

Broader market indexes slipped. The New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 0.07 to 149.99. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 0.24 to 266.13. The price of an average share

lost 1 cent.

"The breadth of the market is a little bit better than Monday," said Tom Gallagher, managing director of capital commitment at Oppenheimer & Co.

Mr. Gallagher said there was some life in the transportation and utility sectors, but "big stocks," such as IBM and Digital Equipment, continue to "act horrible".

continue to "act horribly." "The secondary issues are still leading this

market," he said. "There is a lot of weakness in certain sec-tors," Mr. Gallagher said. "Everybody believes this is a wait-and-see game ahead of the trade numbers. I think it's just a continuation of a

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His view runs contrary to other analysts, who believe investors have temporarily stepped to the sidelines ahead of the January report on the U.S. merchandise trade deficit, set for release

"The trade numbers would have to have a dramatic change to impact the market, I just don't think people are sitting around waiting." Mr. Gallagher said. "There's lots of concern." The 48-point drop last Thursday "has people thinking we are not out of the woods yet," he

As far as Friday's triple expiration of stock-index futures and options, a potentially volatile time, Mr. Gallagher expects it to be "a non-

Allegis was the most active issue, up 11/4 to Several airline stocks were higher based on signs of strong passenger traffic. Allegis is the parent of United Airlines.

Monsanto followed, off 31/4 to 801/8.
First RepublicBank was third, down 1/8 to 11/8. The largest independent bank in Texas said it was holding discussions with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to restructure and recapitalize the bank.

AT&T was up 4 to 28%.

IBM was off 1½ to 114. Digital Equipment was down 2½ to 1164.

Other airline stocks posting gains included AMR, parent of American Airlines, up % to 41%, and Detta Air Lines, up 1% to 47%. Among other blue chips, General Electric was unchanged at 43%, American Express was down ¼ to 26½.

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Hongkong Bank's Profit Rises 17%

HONG KONG — Hongkong & Shanghai Bank reported Tuesday that its net profit climbed 17 percent last year to 3.59 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$460.3 million) as its traditional banking operations improved significantly in the colony and Southeast Asia.

The bank, Hong Kong's largest, posted a 3.06 billion dollar profit in 1986. Earnings per share rose to 78 cents last year from 70 cents, with the 1986 figure adjusted for a onefor-eight bonus issue and a one-foreight rights issue that year.

Hongkong & Shanghai said that based CM&M Inc., had a "very successful" year. But its London stockbroking unit. James Capel & Co., reported an operating loss of £14 million (\$25.9 million) before capital costs, largely because of the October market collapse.

Marine Midland Banks Inc., the New York-based group that Hong-kong & Shanghai bought out last year, previously reported a 1987 loss of \$408.8 million after setting

aside £600 million in provisions face of faltering international de during the year for losses on bad or mand.

Hongkong & Shanghai said it has transferred its share of those loan-loss provisions to inner reserves and that they had no impact on 1987 profit. The bank said that overall, it transferred 1.18 billion dollars from inner reserves and 300 million dollars from retained profits last year to its debt reserves.

Hongkong & Shanghai will pay a 1987 dividend of 38 cents against an adjusted 36 cents for 1986. It also announced a one-for-10 bonus its merchant banking arms. Ward- issue and forecast a 1988 dividend ley Group Ltd. and New-York of at least 38 cents a share on the increased capital.

> Noting that the outlook was uncertain, the bank did not release a forecast for 1988 earnings.

"In Hong Kong, where growth was very strong in 1987, there are indications that the momentum is beginning to taper off," it said. While the general business outlook remains encouraging, some slowdown must be expected in the

"The U.S. budget and trade defi-cits remain high," the bank said, "and recovery prospects are over-shadowed by the after-effects of the October stock market col-

It predicted an acceleration in inflation and a slowdown in economic growth in the major industrialized countries.

"The international banking industry's exposure to the debts of less developed countries remained a cause for concern," it added. Hongkong & Shanghai is the world's 30th-biggest bank in terms

In a separate move aimed at consolidating operations, the bank will transfer most of its European branches to Midland Bank PLC of Britain and its subsidiaries, Hong-kong & Shanghai's chairman, William Purves, said.

of assets measured at the end of

Hongkong & Shanghai bought a 14.9 percent holding last year in Midland, Britain's fourth-largest

VW Sales Rose 3% in '87 But Foreign Revenue Fell

WOLFSBURG, West Germany — Volkswagen AG reported Tuesday that its provisional group sales rose 3 percent to 54.5 billion Deutsche marks (\$32.83 billion) in 1987, from 52.8 billion DM in 1986, although foreign sales fell.

The provisional figures also showed that vehicle sales in the first two months of 1988 rose slightly to 420,000 from 419,000 a year earlier. Production in the first two months slipped to 451,000 cars from 462,000 a year earlier.

The automaker said that domestic group revenue rose 19 percent to a provisional 22.4 billion DM in 1987 from 18.8 billion DM in 1986, while foreign group revenue fell 5 percent to 32.1 billion DM

VW attributed the higher overall sales mainly to price increases and a consumer trend toward higher-priced vehicles.

It repeated its December forecast that 1987 profit would be steady at 1986 levels. In 1986, VW's group net profit slipped to 580.2 million DM, from 595.6 million in 1985.

Vehicle sales in 1987 rose to 2.77 million units from 2.76 million. The volume of domestic sales rose 9 percent, to 921,000 units from 838,000, and foreign sales slipped 3 percent, to 1.85 million from 1.92

Production eased to 2.77 million units from 2.78 million. Domestic output rose to 1.67 million units from 1.65 million and foreign production slipped to 1.11 million from 1.12 million.

VW's work force fell to 263,000 at the end of 1987 from 282,000 at

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Early Response To Saudi Share Offer Subdued

RIYADH — Saudi Arabian investors placed orders for more than 1.7 million riyals (\$450 million) of shares on the first day of the kingdom's first public stock flotation for three years, bankers said Tuesday.

The orders, placed on Saturday for shares in Taiba Co. for investments & Real Estate Development, were only a fraction of the 300 million riyals on offer. The Consulting Center for Finance & Invest-ment, which is handling the issue, said it expected most orders to be made toward the end of the monthlong offering.

Taiba will invest in real estate, agriculture, hotels, catering and other service industries. It has start-up capital of I million rivals, of which half is to be issued in stock. Forty percent, or 200 million riyals, has already been placed with the company's founders.

Some bankers expect investors to hold back from the the flotation to buy shares in an offering soon for al-Rajhi Investment & Banking Corp., a money changer which is changing to a bank license be-ginning Saturday.

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and Foote, Cone & Belding. Both agencies create ads for Colgate. Those workers who have been employed on the Colgate account for the past three years have about \$600 worth of Colgate stock, Mr. Mark estimated. And when employees leave? "They're free to do whatever they want with the stock," Mr. Mark said.

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Century Importers, a Baltimore based beer importer whose brands include Kronenbourg from France; Beamish Cream Stout from Ireland, and John Courage from England, went to Traham, Burden & Charles of Baltimore.

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Daisy Exposito has been appointed senior vice president at Young & Rubicam New York.

 David Chapman and Ronald Jastrzemski have been named senior vice presidents and copy group supervisors at Kallir, Philips, Ross.

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Husky to Press Texaco Canada Bid

By John F. Burns New York Times Service

TORONTO — In a proposal that would make Li Ka-shing, the Hong Kong real estate investor, a major player in Canada's oil and gas industry. Husky Oil Ltd. of Calgary. Alberta says that it will press forward with a bid to acquire Texaco Canada Ltd., the Canadian unit of the financially troubled Texaco Inc.

Two companies controlled by Mr. Li own 43 percent of Husky. Husky executives could make a formal bid for Texaco Canada later this week, when they will be in New York, Husky's president, Art Price, said Monday in a telephone interview. To make the deal more attractive to Texaco, which is emerging from bankruptcy proceedings, Husky is prepared to offer a "cash infusion" of \$1 billion, he said.

Mr. Price declined to say how much Husky was prepared to pay for Texaco's 78 percent stake in the Canadian unit. But he said the price at which Texaco Canada shares had been trading in recent weeks — from 27 to 34 Canadian dollars (\$21.40 to \$27) - would represent "fair value."

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Mr. Price said Husky would propose a merger that would give Husky a controlling interest in the new company. The merger would create the third or fourth largest oil and gas company in Canada, after Imperial Oil Ltd., the governmentowned PetroCanada Ltd. and a new company to be formed from new company to be formed from the pending merger of Dome Petro-leum Ltd. and Amoco Canada Ltd., the Canadian unit of Amoco

Inc. of Chicago. After the Amoco-Dome deal, which will cost Amoco's U.S. parent about \$6.5 billion, a Husky takeover of Texaco Canada would be the biggest deal in a series of realignments that have marked the Canadian oil and gas industry recently.

One of those, for the 43 percent of Husky owned by Hutchison Whampoa Ltd. and Cavendish Holdings Ltd., both of Hong Kong, marked the first major North American investment outside of At the higher figure, Texaco Kong's richest men.

Since the Li investment in Deshares outstanding would give the company a value of 4.1 billion Ca-about 1.5 billion Canadian dollars. Husky executives have made no secret of their interest in expanding. Their interest in acquiring Texaco Canada was spurred late last year when reports circulated that Texaco Inc. was considering selling its Canadian unit as part of an assets sale necessitated by its \$3 billion settlement of a suit by Pennzoil Co. That suit involved accusations that Texaco had interfered with Pennzoil's bid for a stake in Getty Oil Co. in 1984.

> Texaco Canada spokesmen refused to comment on Husky's take-over plan. But it seemed clear that if Texaco was willing to sell its Canadian unit, Husky would face rival bidders. In recent weeks, executives of Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd. of Calgary, of which Armand Hammer's Occidental Petroleum Corp. owns 48 percent said that they would also be interested in Texaco Canada.

Market analysts believe other bids would also be forthcoming as the major players in the Canadian real estate by Mr. Li, one of Hong industry seek to increase their share of the country's oil reserves.

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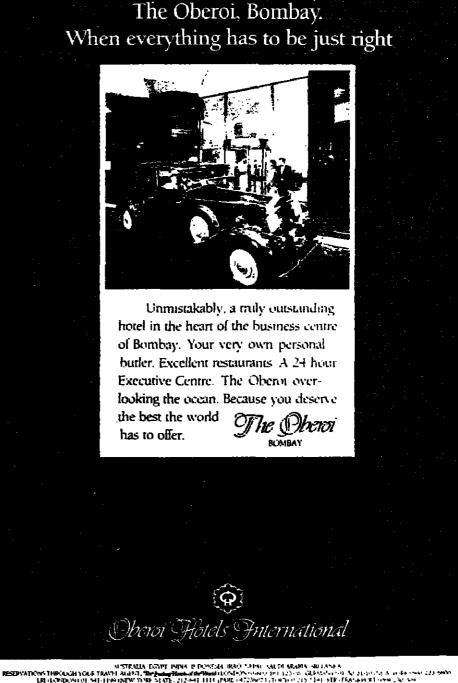
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Alitalia Seeks Alliances to Stay Competitive

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and outside Europe of forming mergers and alliances," he said. Mr. Nordio declined to provide

they are to survive competition from U.S. and Far Eastern carriers.

National Westminster

LONDON - National West-

minster Bank PLC said Tuesday

that its Banco NatWest March unit

will acquire 84 percent of Banco de Asturias, a retail bank with 63 branches in Spain's northern prov-

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> eign takeovers of such showcase disappear from the field." mer, for example, negotiations between Scandinavian Airlines System and Sabena, the Belgian carrier, on combining their airlines, hotels and service companies broke down when Sabena balked at the

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CONCETUS. They either must all accept the European Community to support an airline.

"We are quite convinced that in the long run the commission will be on our side," Mr. Nordio said. "I European governments have don't think that it will take a stand generally reacted negatively to for- in the long term that Europe must

ou want to preserve the ability of the European industry to compete in the airline business, you have to forget about your basic principle that no one should be too

Analysts agree. "Looking ahead, standing alone is going to be dan-gerous," said Roberto Morelli, an investment analyst at County NatWest in London.

Mr. Morelli suggested the possi-Nevertheless, Mr. Nordio said he bility of selling a sizable minority expected the executive body of the stake in Alitalia to another Europe-

ROME — Alitalia is seeking inthe size of a local carrier, or else dustry to forge alliances. fact that they must be reduced to moves by the European airline in-

agreement between Mr. Nordio said. Umberto Nordio, said Tuesday.

Mr. Nordio said in an interview that he saw a major shakeout of years that would make new alli-

Alitalia is already "very active in exploring various possibilities in details on projects being explored. Germany, which operate intercontinental airlines, must act quickly if

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Few Federated Shares Tendered to Campeau

TORONTO -- Campeau Corp. said Tuesday that about 2.4 million shares were tendered by late Monday to its hostile \$6.2 billion takeover bid for Federated Department Stores Inc. Analysts said the amount tendered was small and that shareholders were awaiting developments in the fight for Federated between the Toronto-based developer and its rival, R.H. Macy & Co. of New York.

Macy's would not comment when asked the number of charge tendered to its friendly hid for

number of shares tendered to its friendly bid for Federated, the fifth-largest U.S. retailer and parent of Bloomingdale's and Abraham &

Shares tendered to Campeau represented 2.6 percent of an estimated 90.8 million Federated shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis. Added to about 400,200 shares Campeau held before its first bid, the total would represent 3.1

Monroe Greenstein, an analyst with Bear, Stearns & Co. said that "2.4 million shares is nothing. Everybody's waiting for the last min-ute to see what happens." Much rests with Judge Leonard Sand, who ruled late Monday in U.S. District Court in

Manhattan that both bids were to remain open at least three business days after he rules on Campeau's move to kill Federated's "poison

Campeau's move to kill Federated's "poison pill" takeover defense. Judge Sand would rule Wednesday at the earliest.

Campeau's offer was to have expired midnight Friday. Macy's bid is to expire April 4. If Judge Sand rules early, Campeau's bid still could expire first, a key point in the seven-week fight for Federated.

Campeau, whose bid was pushed up since an initial Jan. 25 offer of \$47 a share, or \$4.2 billion, is offering \$75 cash for 70.5 million shares and at least \$44 a share for the remaining 20.3 million.

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20,3 million. On Monday, Macy's boosted the cash por-tion of its bid to \$77.35 a share for 80 percent of

uon or its oid to \$77.35 a share for 80 percent of Federated stock and proposed swapping the remaining 20 percent for 36 percent of the equity in a merged Macy's-Federated Inc.

Arbitragers put the blended value at about \$70 a share, or \$6.36 billion, Campeau valued its bid at up to \$68.50 a share, or \$6.2 billion,

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Firestone, Facing Bid By Pirelli, Is Likely to Cancel Bridgestone Pact

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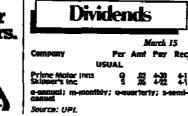
CHICAGO — Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. says that an unsolicited \$1.8 billion takeover offer by Pirelli Group will likely force it to abandon a previous agreement to sell most of its tire operations to Bridgestone Corp. of Japan. But Firestone said its board of directors had authorized management to explore alternatives to the Direlli bid that possibly could include a to the Pirelli bid that possibly could include a

ew deal with Bridgestone.

Firestone said Monday that its board met to onsider Pirelli's \$58-a-share tender offer but

The company said that in light of Pirelli's offer, it was unlikely to follow through on the

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offer, it was unlikely to follow through on the joint venture agreement it announced with the Japanese tire maker on Feb. 16. Under that agreement, Bridgestone would pay about \$1.25 billion to buy 75 percent of Firestone's tire operations. Pirelli's offer is contingent on Firestone dropping its plans to enter the joint venture with Bridgestone.

Firestone said that in seeking alternatives to the Pirelli offer, its advisers had begun discussions with Bridgestone. The board indicated it would meet again this week to complete its review of Pirelli's offer.

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Saint Gobain owns about 57.3 percent of Certain Teed, a building materials company based in Valle; Forge, Pennsylvania. It said Monday that the revised terms had been approved by a committee of sindependent directors of Certain Teed.

Foster Wheeler Unit in Talks

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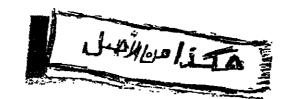
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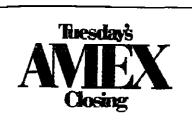
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(Continued from first finance page) price war. GE's motor sales were dictions came pretty close to the

GE said it wanted the workers to give up \$2 an hour. Otherwise, in the words of the script, the company would have to "shrink, close or sell" the motor business. They were words many of the workers would not forget. "They're threatening cent, well under the 6 percent that my life; my job is my life." Gregory A. Sprinkle remembers thinking. He has worked at GE's wire mill for 22 years.

Underscoring the seriousness of the message, the company announced at the same time that two plants — in Holland, Michigan, and Decatur. Indiana - would be closed no matter what happened. "You just sat there and it left an empty, kind of cold feeling," said Mr. Daughtry, the business agent for the Fort Wayne local of the International Union of Electronic

Workers. For decades. GE has been making electric motors to run everything from small appliances to computer disk drives. The division turns out 32 million motors a year. more than any other manufacturer. and contributes about \$700 million to GE's \$40.5 billion in annual revenue. But by the time Mr. Genever-Watling, a GE vice president, arrived in the fall of 1986, the motor division had gotten itself into a

classic business problem. In the early 1980s, there was a \$3 billion domestic motor market. By 1986, it had fallen to about \$2 billion, as foreign manufacturers went after GE and its longtime rival.

shrinking; so were profit margins. Sales dropped to \$710 million from \$766 million in 1984 at a time when the division had projected revenue of \$890 million. "We were busy falling off a cliff," Mr. Genever-Watling said. The division's return on sales was sliding toward 2 per-GE averages in its low-tech manufacturing businesses.

It was time for an unpleasant dose of reality, and Mr. Genever-Watling was willing to administer it. Born in Wimbledon, England. the 42-year-old division chief speaks with a refined British accent that seems distinctly out of place in Fort Wayne, But after 20 years with the company, in a series of management posts with the armaments and aircraft-engine divisions, he is thoroughly GE.

The one thing he was not was gentle. To fix the business, Mr. Genever-Watling figured, he needed an investment of about \$200 million from GE. But he says he also knew that under GE's chairman, John F. Welch Jr., corporate headquarters would not be in much of a mood to listen to his plan if the division did not cut costs and close plants to bring up its profits. Ever since he took the helm at

GE in 1981. Mr. Welch has been brutally unsentimental about the old businesses that built GE into the United States's third most valuable corporation in shareholder

value. Emerson Electric Co. The biggest challenge came from so-called "indirect imports." finished products such as air conditioners produced overseas with motors already in them.

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its NBC television network, and pays about \$8 an hour, (Emerson Kidder, Peabody & Co., the Wall would not comment on its labor Genever-Watling felt, the division alone. costs). GE pays \$11. Mr. Genever- would have to move much of its For Mr. Genever-Watling, the Watling estimated the annual dif- production abroad or the company numbers did not look encouraging ference at \$56 million. The divi- would lose patience entirely with in the fall of 1986. His division was sion's executives feared Emerson his utterly unglamorous division. still a strong No. 1 in its market, but profits were shrinking.

could wipe out GE's domestic motor business if it decided to use its

stake in terms of GE's ownership." He cut management costs and cost advantage to underprice the he said.

face the issue that neither corporate ket, GE needed to sell at globally licy questions.

headquarters in Fairfield Connect—competitive prices — prices set.

GE has always discussed con-

The New York Lance And GE worker, Annette Brooks: "Take it, or you don't have a job." Gregory Sprinkle, another veteran: "They're threatening my life."

Back at headquarters, Mr. Gen-At the same time, to remain No. ever-Watling's proposal to ask for But he said the time had come to 1 in the international motor mar- wage concessions raised major po-

Without competitive wages. Mr. to let a business unit negotiate jobs, sacrifice now for gains later -

Union activists, who have called said. GE's chairman "Neutron Jack" because of Mr. Welch's apparent willingness to blow his workers out of their jobs, have been saying for years that GE wants to divide its unions by negotiating with divisions individually.

broader than its union situation. According to Frank P. Dovle, GE's headquarters in Fairfield, Connecticut, nor motor-division managers
had been willing to tackle: labor

of the manufacturing business?" Mr. Doyle said.

So despite the risks, the motor division initiative was approved in early October, GE's top negotiator William Angell, privately notified William H. Bywater, president of the International Union of Electronic Workers, about the motor division's plans. Launch day was

When it came, the company set up videocassette players in cafeterias and other meeting centers. In a taped speech, Mr. Genever-Watling outlined the pessingistic analysis. The scripts then helped plant managers cover the rest of the an unprecedented GE promise. ground.

The managers talked about the businesses GE had closed. The said point was that the company was not bluffing, and the script hammered it home: "I'm sure employees in those businesses, all now without GE jobs, wish they would have had the chance you now have gell said. - that is, the chance to save their rather than having lost it all," it

The shock only lasted a little while. Then a sense of realism settled in, In a 10-year period, the motor division workers had seen their numbers shrink from 12.600 to 7,250 as the company closed operations and moved others over-The issue for the company was seas.

The locals said they would go senior vice president in charge of along with a wage freeze that would

down our position until we're out meeting on Jan. 14, when the tal seemed permanently stilled told Mr. Genever-Waring th The nation business is done as

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Mr. Bywater had just one me problem, he said: He wanted v Weich to guarantee personally the GE would not try to separate oth divisions from the national co tract in the 1988 negotiations few days later, he says Mr. Wat.

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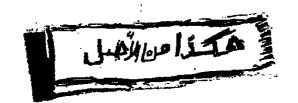
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has earlier in the session during budget statement by Britain's rection of the Exchequer, Nigel on, which the market general-escribed as cautious.

after reports of Bank of En-New York, the pound closed 1:8455, down from \$1.8525 at ing aday's close. It had earlier trad-

s high as \$1.8475. The U.K. budget report was bally neutral, said a currency and for a U.S. from. "I think most came within expectations."

he dollar also rose against other or currencies, closing at 1.6700 up from 1.6645 at Monday s at 127.40 Japanese yen, up 126.85; at 1.3805 Swiss up from 1.3730; and at 40 French francs, up from

% he dollar received a slight boost le 12 2 a lower than expected deficit he U.S. current account. The in the fourth quar-538.99 billion, from \$43.44 n in the third quarter. Most retations had been for an un-London, the pound had risen

lined for most of day in Europe. uit the pound retreated to The pound closed at \$1.8560, against \$1.8525 on Monday.

against the dollar, which was side-

The pound initially rose by more than half a pfcnnig after Mr. Lawson announced a higher than expected surplus of £3 billion in the public-sector borrowing require-ment, the difference between the government's expenditure and rev-

The market saw that as a reflection of a cautious fiscal stance, But the Bank of England was reported to have capped the pound's rise above the 3.09 DM

level. The pound closed at 3.0883 DM, up from 3.0803 at Monday's The dollar rose against other major currencies. It closed at 1.6640 DM, up from 1.6630; at 127.07

francs, up from 5.6485. Dealers said central bank intersubstantial as it had gone largely undetected in the market.

Dealers noted that Mr. Lawson said very little in his speech about policy toward the pound, even though the currency was allowed last week to breach its unofficial 3 DM caling.

Mr. Lawson said he would "contime to set interest rates at the level necessary to ensure downward pressure on inflation." The market took this as a sign that there would be no cut in interest rates in the short term and that also helped the pound, dealers said,

"Upward pressure is going to remain on sterling, but people will be cantious near the 3.10 figure because of the threat of intervention." said one dealer at a British bank.

Also positive for sterling was MI. Lawson's statement that there would be no reduction in taxation as a share of gross domestic prodnct in the year ahead.

Dealers said they expected the pound to remain fairly stable on Wednesday because attention would refocus on the U.S. trade figures for January, due out on Thursday. Earlier in Europe, the dollar was

Japanese yen, up from 126.95; at fixed in Frankfurt at 1.6649 DM, 1.3765 Swiss francs, up from up from 1.6588 on Monday, and in 1.3720; and at 5.6555 French Paris at 5.6553 French francs, up from 5.6385. The dollar closed in Zurich at

vention to stem the pound's ad1.3770 Swiss francs, up from 1.3710
vance was unlikely to have been on Monday.

Pound's Rise Is Defended

By Greenspan WASHINGTON - Brit-ain, in the face of market pres-

sures, was correct to allow the pound to rise above 3 Deutsche marks, Alan Greenspan, the chairman of the U.S. Federal Reserve, said Tuesday. Speaking before the Joint

Economic Committee of Congress, Mr. Greenspan said it would have been difficult for the Bank of England and other central banks of the Group of Seven industrialized nations to hold sterling down because the

pressures were so great. He said the task of the G-7 was to cooperate in such a way that the impact of market-induced movements was minimized. The G-7 has been "reasonably successful" in its pursuit of general stability in exchange rates and economic conditions, he said.

He said the practice of some developing countries of peg-ging their currencies to the dollar was "something of a problem." He singled out Taiwan, saying that its accumulation of foreign exchange re-serves showed that its exchange rate was out of line.

Egypt's Currency Crackdown Hits Foreign Banks

CAIRO - Once, it used to be said, there were as many black market currency dealers on the streets of Cairo as taxi drivers.

Now, after a 10-month government clampdown that has sharply reduced the numbers of dealers. Egypt is close to unraveling a web of official and unofficial currency rates, but at a cost: Foreign banks say their business has slowed dramatically.

"The economy is stagnating, and customers cannot find dollars to pay back foreign currency credits," said one Western banker. "Foreign banks are having a long, hard think about

Egypt."
The crackdown began in May as part of a reform package backed by the International Monetary Fund that included a \$325 million credit. IMF officials are expected this week to accept or reject Egypt's steps toward reform, sources close to talks between the two sides said

Apart from reducing the budget delicit, increasing domestic interest rates and reducing state subsidies on basic goods, Egypt agreed to take steps to unify exchange rates.

The official exchange rate is currently 0.70 Egyptian pounds to the dollar. The government also allowed a committee of banks, supervised by the central bank, to set a free market rate, in order to beat the black market. That rate is currently about 2.24

While the exchange dealers have mostly disappeared from the streets, a black market still

exists, with a rate of about 2.34 to the dollar. Since last May's reforms, many foreign banks have closed offices, cut staff and, in some

cases, pulled out of Egypt altogether.

About 40 banks operate in Egypt, the majority incorporated as branches of foreign banks.

The problem for the foreign bank branches is that they are not allowed to deal in Egyptian pounds. That was no problem in the 1970s, when banks financed industry with foreign currency loans and high world oil prices meant

there was no shortage of dollars for Egypt.
But sliding oil prices have coincided with IMF pressure to reform Egypt's currency. That led to a sharp devaluation and shortage of exchange, and many private sector companies that borrowed dollars from foreign banks have

been unable to repay them.

Bankers say the drive against the black market cut off companies' major source of hard currency to repay loans. Arrears could now total as much as \$4 billion, they say.

Bankers say problems have been exacerbated by a stagnant economy and rising competition from rapidly expanding Islamic investment houses, which have no fixed rate of interest but attract large amounts of hard currency outside

ne mainstream banking system.
Pleas by foreign branches to be allowed to deal in local currency or for the government to introduce a system of licensing for exchange brokers to speed the legal flow of hard currency

through the system were rejected. Bankers say the rebuff could hasten the pace

of retrenchment among foreign banks in Egypt. New lending is at a low ebb since banks now often only grant hard currency loans if they are

fully collateralized from abroad. Chase Manhattan Bank NA, the first foreign bank allowed into the country as part of Presi-dent Anwar Sadat's "open door" policy intro-duced in 1975, will close its last office in Egypt at the end of March.

Chase's decision to close its representative office at the end of March came within a year of its sale of a 49 percent stake in a joint-venture

with National Bank of Egypt SAE.
Bankers said Chase's retrenchment was mainly influenced by a worldwide review of operations, but they said the sluggish business climate in Egypt may also have played a role. Citibank NA, which closed an office in the

Cairo suburb of Heliopolis last year, now has less than 40 staff, one-third of its peak level.

Lloyds Bank PLC has pared back, while Midland Bank PLC and Royal Bank of Canada shut down in 1986.

Under a decree issued on Feb. 11, private businesses will have access to a pool of hard currency flowing into the country will be able to draw on 10 percent each month beginning in April to help meet repayments to banks.

But bankers have reacted cautiously to the move. The new regulations cannot be applied to arrears built up since May. Nor is it clear, bankers say, how much hard currency is coming into the pool and how much goes through other

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IN OS ANGELES — Some mu-al bond experts and investors vondering whether history will

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volatile tax-free money-market municipals harder than many other funds. There are some indications that a are held in large numbers by affilidecline may be starting already, ent individual investors, not insti-Mr. Norton said, although there is tutions, Mr. Norton said. Many of no evidence yet that it will grow these individuals face higher tax into a full-scale rout like last year. bills this year, because of reforms Interest rates have begun to rise that crack down on tax shelters.

that the economy may be stronger were a major contributing factor to than previously thought.

As a result, municipal bond prices are down about 2 percent and were low on cash. The redempsince peaking in mid-February, Mr. tions forced many funds to sell Norton said. Bond prices fall when bonds in their portfolios to raise bonds in their portfolios to raise cash to pay shareholders.

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larly Salomon Bros., formerly the biggest municipal bond dealer. But others minimize the chances

of a repeat of last year's nose dive. national trend. "It's very unlikely," said George D. Friedlander, managing director of municipal bond research at Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. "There could be modest selling pressure, but not much."

"Investors have learned their lesson from last year," Mr. Fried-lander said. Many investors bought long-term municipal bond funds before last year's panic, thinking the shares would be easy to sell

That figure was reduced slightly

TRADE: U.S. Deficit Surged to \$160.7 Billion in '87

government's official accounting will not be made until June. Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, told the Joint Economic Committee of the House and Senate on Tuesday that

foreign investment in the United States "is a highly desirable inter-He said he was less worried about the fact that that more and

more U.S. assets are being acquired by Japanese and other foreign investors than he would be if they were simply amassing dollars.

Adding to the 1987 trade deficit figure were payments of \$13.5 bil-

because many of the older U.S. federal government's need to borinvestments are earning a higher

rate of return. However, the services surplus nues and spending attracted large was down from \$18.6 billion in sums of foreign investment to this country.
While the administration agrees 1986 and has been dwindling

steadily. Economists expect the services surplus to be wiped out altogether future years as more and more dollars are paid to foreigners to meet interest payments on the U.S.

In the third quarter, the United States had run a delicit with the rest of the world in investment earnings for the first time in 29

Democratic presidential candiernment transfer payments such as dates have been attacking the Reagan administration, charging that the country's new status as the world's biggest debtor is directly by a surplus of \$12 billion in the astributable to the failure of the administration to come to grips

The report estimated interest payments to foreigners would total less than one-half of 1 percent of the U.S. gross national product, or the nation's total output of goods

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WOODCUTTERS

By Thomas Bernhard, Translated from the German by David McLintock. 181 pages. \$15.95 Alfred A. Knopf, 201 East 50th Street, New York, N. Y. 10022.

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Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

ONE actually finds most people uninter-esting. I thought, all the time—almost all the people we meet are uninteresting, having nothing to offer us but their collective mediocrity and their collective imbecility, with which they bore us on every occasion, and so naturally we have no time for them. If we look back, I thought, we see that they have quite automatically made themselves ludicrous and uninteresting in their thousands, their tens of thousands, their millions."

These sentences, which occur about two-thirds of the way through the hero's nonstop monologue, are metty representative of the sentiments and attitudes running through "Woodcutters," the latest work of fiction to be published in the United States by the Austrian poet, playwright and novelist Thomas Bem-bard. The winner of three covered literary prizes in West Germany, Bernhard has earned considerable acclaim in Europe as one of postwar Austria's most distinguished men of let-ters, and his work (among his novels already published in English are "Gargoyles," "The Lime Works," "Correction" and "Concrete") consistently gives us a distinctive if limited view of the world.

It's a dark, misanthropic view of things that focuses obsessively on death, suicide, the wasting effects of time and the isolation of the individual.

A stream-of-consciousness soliloquy (dia-tribe might be a better word), "Woodcatters" takes place during a lengthy dinner party in Vienna as the narrator, a disaffected writer who watches the other dinner guests from his observer's post in a wing chair, gives us an account of the evening's events. He describes the host (a composer who was supposed to be "the successor of Webern" but who has ended up a sot) and his wife (a fawning socialite who

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BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

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South should have passed his cashed the heart ten an the game and then find that their reputation is growparnter's four no-trump bid, low diamond. West mad ing. This has happened to Paul Lewis, a New York City bridge, expert who temporarily put the game aside in 1985 when he but he surged on to six nomarried and moved to Irving-ton, New York. But since his namesake, Paul Lewis of Las Vegas, has had numerous suc-cesses, "some people," he said,

"still think I just moved West." Judging by the diagrammed deal played recently as he emerged from retirement. Lewis has kept his playing skill but is afflicted with bidding optimism. He was playing at the 92d Street Y in Manhattan

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SPORTS

One More Time: Some Charity for A Chronic Giver

International Herald Tribune LONDON — How much does port owe its grand masters fallen

- The pragmatic answer is nothng If we rewarded them well, and hey squandered their stash, too vhatever we took in memories, in ntertainment, in relief from our wn workaday existence - well, ve paid, didn't we?

Sport is a short-term contract vithout guarantees. The gift wanes, he next guy takes over, and there is

ROB HUGHES

1+10 assisted passage through the resi while. But come on: Common law leart? Sport touches that, too, loesn't it?

It must, because the personalities re remember, those who enrich the abric for following generations, re essentially childlike in refusing o set boundaries on their imaginaions. And because they lived such occomed existences, perhaps we lo have duty to be more than pragnatic when the afterlife catches

These feelings are stirred by the sie of John Charles, "King John" aring his time with Juventus of

He performed when soccer fidn't make millionaires of starlets.

fou had to be a god — as Charles
pas in England, in Italy, in Wales

to earn what he earned.

But, less than a winner in the real yorld, Charles was jailed on forto. Charles was jailed on mick, a new jacket and even a new jac Manual March & Only for three hours,

they opened their annual meetings.

He wasn't sent to a Huddersfield decause he's a criminal. He went because he couldn't pay his way and his word couldn't buy time.

Charles, now 57, tried to tell the charles he couldn't buy time.

They opened their annual meetings.

"Come in, we've got some crab meat, "said Hank Butta of Baltimore, who was trying to lure visitors to his city's hospitality room.

Once burned when the Coirs left, tively seeking a franchise, "but I Baltimore was still among half a just wanted to come here, meet ecause he couldn't pay his way ad his word couldn't buy time.

Charles, now 57, tried to tell the legistrate what he had been, what had done over decades for charies. Always quiet-spoken, the gentle giant" whispered that he ras submitting himself to charity n order to clear his debts.

spect ten times that from the testiagnial match his old English club, eeds United, will stage for him

d his former playing pal, Bobby

line on April 12.

Too little, too late, the court deded, Charles would go down for

d.days, and if the debt was still met would suffer more until ei-her he paid or the criminal system ad its revenge. In those three hualiating hours, Charles's second and (the first left him because of as drinking) borrowed the money o bail him out.

He probably sat in that cell starig blankly, as he had in dressing boms of great stadiums or amid nckslapping crowds. A colossus along players, Charles seldom ommunicated by word of mouth. Speech is superfluous when ou're 6-foot-2 (1.87 meters) and % pounds (89 kilograms) and God ave you aerial ascendency over jortals, plus a thrilling burst of aced and the ability to caress a ball Ho strike it with summing power. Heaven knows, Charles had the Y. He left Swansca, in Wales, at 3-Leeds groomed him as a mighty enter-half and, later, as a formidaic center-forward. In four seasons an attacker he feasted on 150 nels. Inventus, attracted by his malgam of muscle and technique, and Leeds £65,000 for him in 1957.

Charles forged, with Giampiero

Ian Rush, a Welsh goal-scorer who, with neither a Boniperti nor a Si-vori — not even a Platini — is, so far, a barren disappointment.

"On the field, the Welshman is a sphinx," Rush's trainer, Rino Marchesi, has said, "He doesn't speak and he doesn't protest. He doesn't show even a timid reaction when opponents cover him with bruises. key will never respect you if you behave like that."

Oh yes they will If Juve buys some creative brains to serve him, Rush can remain as silent as he likes and, provided his scoring returns, Italians will praise his passiv-ity. Goals talk, so these days he's speechless. Until that is remedied, histrionics can't make him more acceptable to the cogniscenti.

But if Italy hasn't seen the best of Rush, the Brits plan, courtesy of the worthy cause of John Charles, to give him an opportunity in Leeds. For Rush, and his equally impotent Juventus parter Michael Landrup, met and liked Big John play in his testimonial. Modern players know Charles by reputation. Older Italians hold



No gift of gab, but height, heft, speed and stunning power -- in his playing prime, John Charles had it all.

his memory in awe. Tell him how buon gigante, and part of his fall cheated in his prime by horrendous Bomperti, rich and influential, still touches that team. Last June, when knee injury. cherishes their old partnership, and he says: "Ah, I appreciate that." government subsistence reached

there," he says. "I blew it, nobody else. My own fault."

Undoubtedly. But the game has a conscience. Leeds, whose current (what silence they must have team whacks opponents as Charles shared) last week and agreed to never did, knows it plucked a ciable game of rugby. His nephew, play in his testimonial. youngster out of school and did not Jeremy Charles, was reared in his prepare him for life beyond. image as an international center-fuventus enjoyed the prime of il half and center-forward, but was

he says: "Ah, I appreciate that."

But he wouldn't play on it, Turin, Fiat, the Juventus sponsor, wouldn't dream of picking up the phone. "I set myself up for life out Hamilton, Ontario. That failed, as a sporting goods shop and the pub had failed.

He is a man who has raised four strapping sons, all of whom with his blessing preferred the more so-

most, in and out of soccer. But before you denounce the uselessness of Charles, know where he was the night he got out of prison — playing snooker to raise cash, as he has most weekends for 25 years, for such causes as kidney machines. That this charitable man now

knee injury.

The uncle had escaped that pat-fall. He had had more chances than

needs charity is cruel and ironic, but is by no means a sign of a wasted human being.

Baseball's Rules Committee Balking At Union Request to Delay Changes

By Murray Chass New York Times Service

CLEARWATER, Florida With the start of the baseball season three weeks away, the proposed rule changes involving balks and the strike zone remain in limbo. In the latest move in negotiations between the rules committee and the players association, the association has asked the committee to reconsider its rejection of the union's proposal that the new rules be imemented on a one-year trial basis.

The committee has requested that the union, which must approve the changes before they can be implemented, give its final decision on the changes Tuesday. But union officials said Monday that they would uree that the two sides discuss the matter further and try to agree on the one-year trial. The union was not confident, however, that the committee members would

change their minds.

They're not interested in nego tiating; they just want to do what they want to do," Donald Fehr, the union's executive director, said Monday after a meeting with the Philadelphia Phillie players.

The committee adopted three rules changes in December: • The upper limit of the strike zone was lowered, to clarify that limit for umpires and thereby elicit more called strikes, the committee

• The balk rule was modified so that pitchers would have to have if they have bargained in good season.

both feet on the ground when they faith," Fehr said. "I don't feel they came to the required complete stop have bargained in good faith."

with runners on base.

reasons we say, 'Let's see what hap-

The balk rule has caused havoc this spring.

pens. But they say no."

Through Sunday's exhibition mes, umpires had called 124 balks in 126 games, an average of virtually one a game, compared with a 1987 season total of 356 balks in 2,105 contests, an average of one every six games.

Of this spring's balks, American League pitchers have committed 86 and National Leaguers 38. Texas, with Charlie Hough committing seven in one inning and nine in that game, leads the majors with 17 ex-hibition balks. Boston is next with 14. High in the National League are Los Angeles and Montreal with six each. The Chicago Cubs and the San Francisco Giants are the only teams that have not been called for

Under the collective-bargaining agreement, if the players associa-

NHL Leaders

Fehr said that the union pro- Umpires were given the right posed last week that the leagues try to eject pitchers — without a prior the new rules for this year, then warning - for throwing at batters. evaluate them at the end of the "When we asked what would be season. "We want to find out what the effect of the changes," Fehr effect they would have," Fehr said, said, "they said they didn't know. 1 "If they don't work, we'll throw believe them, but that's one of the them out next season. If they do work, they'll stay in."

The proposal, though, was rejected by the four members of the rules committee who have been negotiating with the union: Bill Murray, the committee chairman, who is the administrator in the commissioner's office; the league presidents, A. Bartlett Giamatti of the National and Bobby Brown of the American, and Barry Rona, executive director of the owners' player

relations committee.
"The committee," Murray said Monday, "didn't want rules they've adopted to be tossed out after a

Asked if the committee would implement the rule changes unilaterally next year. Murray said, "I'm hopeful they're going to be adopted

Murray said that he has received no reaction from the clubs on the way the rules are being used this highly critical of the balk rule, and managers have said that runners tion rejects rules changes, the com-mittee can put them in the rule will get hundreds of additional sto-book the following season. "That's len bases if it is in effect during the

6 Cities Courting NFL Owners

By Gerald Eskenazi New York Times Service

PHOENIX, Arizona - A new football, a new instant-replay gimthey opened their annual meetings.

Art Rooney, the octogenarian chairman of the Pittsburgh Steelers, was in a coffee shop Monday when the waitress mentioned his name. With that, a tall man intro-

"Mr. Rooney, I'm Henry Cisne-

during periods of training or the Games for any athletes drafted.

Iran, Iraq, Despite War, In order to clear his debts. He owed £943 (\$1,745) in taxes Aim to Compete in Seoul aga pub he ran last year and could

By Michael Janofsky

New York Times Service NEW YORK — Despite the recent intensity of their war, which seven months ago, U.S. hammer has continued for more than seven thrower Bill Green was stripped of years. Iraq and Iran still intend to the silver medal he won at the Pam participate in the Seoul Olympics American Games for testing posi-later this year. American Games for testing posi-tive for steroid use. He complained

ments or military exemptions no avail.

would enable their top athletes to
continue training and to compete Green receiving the standard sancwithout having to serve in the tion, a lifetime suspension that armed forces.

armed forces.

In 1984, Iraq sent 24 athletes to the Los Angeles Games, none of whom won a medal. Iran has not the U.S. Olympic team. But now participated in the last two summer Games. Both countries, however, all governing body of track and field, has apparently found sufficient reason to believe him.

TAC Officials said recently that

participated in the 1986 Asian field, has apparently found suffi-Games in Seoul.

"Sports are flourishing in our country," said Mudhafar Amin, a member of the Iraqi delegation to the United Nations. "The Olympics give us a strong boost of nationalistic pride,"

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people, and say, 'Hey, our city's interested.'" dozen cities trying to get a franchise So are Jacksonville, Florida;

Memphis, Tennesce, and the California cities of Sacramento and Oakland. The league gave them permission to set up shop near the meetings and buttonhole officials. "We're offering a guaranteed 80,000 seats a year for the next 10 years," said Rick Carlett of the

Jacksonville mayor's office. "Let me tell you what a major league

franchise does for a city. It makes you a national city."

- Even though the NFL has no plans to expand for at least two contract, the Arizona Biltmore's conference center has been turned into a lobbying ground as surely as it bolds owners and general manag-

ers and coaches. The owners' work began Tuesday with a 26-0 approval (there were two abstentions) of the shift of the Cardinal franchise from St. Louis to Phoenix.

- The competition committee: hasvoted to keep the instant-replay rule permanently. It also voted to change the extra-point rule to per-Spokesmen for both countries at the time that the integrity of the mit the defending team to score a said last week that special arrange—test had been compromised, but to point if it recovers a failed attempt 13. North Corolina State (24-7)

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The recommendations will be voted on later in the week by the entire membership.

For now, however, its attention is being diverted by such things as Rawlings trying to get the NFL to adopt the sporting goods manufacturer's new ball—the ST-5 Soft Touch model. Rawlings claims the ball "is less affected by adverse on 20-19-12, ofc, and lost week's runkings):

Recard Pris Pris 2-199 3 cold, wet or hot weather condi-tions." The league's contract with Wilson, which has been making the official ball for decades, is up after the 1988 season. Rawlings came armed with a litany of complaints of the current ball from quarter-

backs and kickers. "I like the new ball," said Bill Walsh, coach of the San Francisco 49ers. "It's very good."

Tex Schramm of the Dallas Cowboys likes a prototype whistle

The program will go on," he said, adding that even though young men are subject to a military draft, a backstreet boy, now president)

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The program will go on," he taking at the time that might have caused the results of the test."

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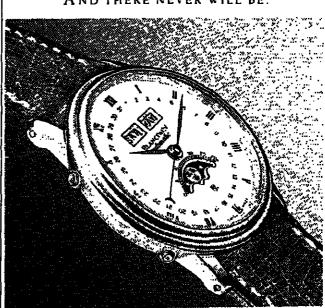
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Britain Keeps Budd on Team

The Associated Press

In a statement, the British Amaar Athletic Board said it had con-

dered a request by track's internaand governing body to withdraw add, 21, from the March 26 event decided against pulling her The International Amateur Ath-

sphility (ollowing aflegations that lowes involved in at least one meet ther native South Africa last year.

doubts over the two-time champion's contacts with her native South

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lect her," the statement said. ment from the federation. As the board issued its state-

ment, Kenya announced it would Auckland, New Zealand, but join Zimbabwe in boycotting the Auckland, New Zealand, but join Zimbabwe in boycotting the aid decided seeing milling her event if Budd takes part. We have decided to go by the decision of the Supreme Council for Sport in Afri-The International Amateur Ath-ca to stay out...unless Budd is barred," the Ministry of Culture and Social Services said in Nairobi. On Monday, the IAAF had called for Budd to be withdrawn from the British team because of

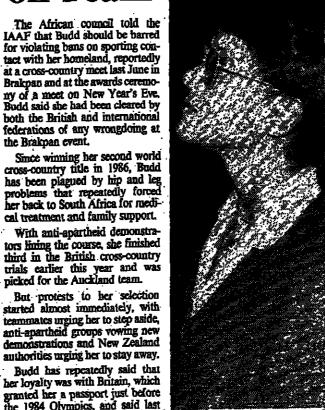
Africa, South African athletes, and TALLIN, Soviet Union - Igor those who compete in the racially chansky of the Soviet Union set a divided country, are barred from torid record of 55.17 seconds in international amateur competition. The organization said it was wor-

The African council told the LONDON — British track auorities on Tuesday rejected inter-Aprilies on Tuesday rejected interAlfonal pressure to withdraw Zola
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Studd' both the British and international There was no immediate com- federations of any wrongdoing at the Brakpan event.

Since winning her second world cross-country title in 1986, Budd has been plagued by hip and leg problems that repeatedly forced her back to South Africa for medical treatment and family support.

With anti-apartheid demonstrators lining the course, she finished third in the British cross-country trials earlier this year and was picked for the Auckland team. But protests to her selection

anti-apartheid groups vowing new demonstrations and New Zealand authorities urging her to stay away. Budd has repeatedly said that manional swimming meet in this ried that even the Seoul Olympics her loyalty was with Britain, which stonian city Tuesday. The previ-could be affected unless it acted granted her a passport just before the 1984 Olympics, and said last





Zola Budd

Three Men on an Eagle

By Russell Baker NEW YORK — From time to time when the Romans couldn't decide which of three lead-

called "triumvirates," from the Latin words "tri," meaning "three," "um," meaning "umbili-cus," and "vir," meaning "man." Literally, then, a "triumvirate" was simply "three men on one umbili-

Since all three triumvirs had to share the same umbilicus, they were supposed to be equal and not behave as though one triumvir thought he was more important club piano. than another.

Thus was born the old Latin printed on the dollar bill.

The Romans had many triumvi-Antony and Lepidus.
This was followed by the immor-

tal Third Triumvirate composed of lacksonus, Gorus and Dukaki- one to 10 he viewed the "immortal" sorum. The word "immortal" is and the "lingo licentio" problems used with apologies. The scribe as a two, certainly not more than a Broderius tells us that much of the three, and urged lacksonus and Broderius tells us that much of the three, and urged lacksonus and triumvirate's first meeting was taken up with the choice of a fitting the umbilicus ("carta blanca umbi-

In his famous passage which begins, "Necque nunquam quid quidnunc quod usque erat Jacksonibus quisque quam fui," Broderius records that lacksonus seized the tives for such squalid activities, but gavel, pounded on the umbilious and declared that their Triumvirate wirs, he insisted, was creating a stumust have an adjective to match the pendously expensive anti-elephant glory of adjectives attached to ear-

There had been the "famous" First Triumvirate, and the "magnificent" Second, said Iacksonus. "We the Third must have an adjective that is neither too brassy nor too sassy, neither too loud nor too proud, neither too humbling for the poor nor too bumbling for the sore, neither too dyspeptic for the skeptic nor too hectic for the apoplectic,

The historian Appelidorus tells to play the no-nonsense, can-do

lum ex uno ad decem"), hortated as follows: "We see your point, Jesse. On a scale of one to 10, I'd give it ers they wanted to rule they fudged an importance factor of about six the problem by putting all three in and a half, so why don't we just call office. These governments were ourselves the immortal Third Triumvirate and get on with something important like how to cut the gladiator budget."

Then was lacksonus sore wroth. "Immortal," said lacksonus, was the adjective always applied to Hoagy Carmichael's "Stardust." He knew not what adjectives other triumvirs might desire, but as for him, he craved language untainted by the smoky excess of the night-

Gorus pounded the umbilicus maxim, "Triumvirs equalumvirs for attention, stating that in matesse, sed caveat secundus tertius- ters of popular music he would que." This maxim is almost unagree to nothing until the content translatable into English which is of this widely publicized Hoagy why Congress voted not to have it thing ("res publica Hoagy") had been analyzed by his wife Tippernia and declared free of double rates. There was the famous First entendre, smut and disgusting Triumvirate composed of Caesar, words ("lingo licentio") such as Pompey and Crassus. Then Rome bad the magnificent Second Triumvirate composed of Octavian, Mark Antony and Lepidus.

Here are belly and drawers, which were depleting the spirit of Roman youth and creating an appalling decline in the sale of Girl Scout

> Dukakisorum said on a scale of licatis") so he could eliminate support payments to Christians idle more than two months waiting to

be thrown to the lions. Gorus agreed that Christians should not be given financial incenthe great problem facing the triumdefense system around the entire

Roman Empire. Though Hannibal had been defeated centuries ago, the Cathagin-ians's sneak elephant attack from over the Alps must never be forgotten. He, Gorus, had been in touch with the brilliant strategic-elephant thinker, Gaius E. Teller.

A system of sensitive pachyderm delectors in place from Persia in the East to Bognor Regis in the West —. Iacksonus banged the um-bilicus for attention. Dukakisorum us that Dukakisorum, always quick said on a scale from one to ten -.. New York Times Service

The Trials of Socrates and I.F. Stone

By Jim Naughton

Washington Post Service

WASHINGTION — The second floor

of LF. Stone's how "This is not Greek" wisdom of the ancients. "This is my Greek and Latin library," he says, rising from behind a desk brimming with paperbacks,

magazines and newspaper clippings. "Tve got a thousand volumes.
"It's a good working library because I have all the Greek poets, all of Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Aristophanes. I have a Greek anthology, Sappho, Homer and all the philosophers and all the Latin poets

and all the Roman historians and I have a lot of basic histories and commentaries." He pulls a weighty tome from the top shelf, and lowers it onto his desk. "This is the first translation ever made of Plato," he says. "It was made in the Renaissance by a Florentine mystic. I found it in a bookstore in Washington, oh, about 20 years ago.

Seventy-five dollars." The pages are yellow and tattered. Stone turns them delicately and runs his finger beneath a tightly scripted line of Latin. "Nobody ever got away with so much egregious nonsense as Plato out of sheer charm, so it was a pleasure to get to the common sense of Aristotle. But then after you've been in Aristotle it's a pleasure to get back to the poetry of Plato because Plato is beautiful.

It has been 17 years since heart trouble forced Stone, now 80, to cease publication of his renowned newsletter, LF. Stone's Weekly. He has spent most of his retirement in Athens — fifth century B.C. Athens. The fruits of his sojourn are revealed in "The Trial of Socrates," a reexamination of the most famous free-speech case in history.

The book surfaced on The Washington Post's best-seller list when it was released in mid-January and has remained there for seven weeks.

The venerable radical is suddenly in

vogue. While he was reconsidering Socra-tes, younger writers were reconsidering him and his contributions to postwar jour natism. Pantheon has just published Andrew Patner's "LF. Stone: A Portrait," and Little, Brown is reissuing five of Stone's books in a series titled "A Non-Conformist's History of Our Times."

"So those are the rewards of old age," he says. "When you are younger you get blamed for crimes you never committed and when you're older you begin to get credit for virtues you never possessed. It

His day begins with newspapers and a magnifying glass. Stone, who wears thick wire-rimmed glasses, has only one good eye and, on that one, a cataract is developing.

"It takes me several hours to read The Post and The Times and I read them with

pleasure because that for me is like reading history unfolding. I read history like the daily paper. I read the daily paper like

When he stopped publishing the Weekly after 19 years, his ambition was to write a history of freedom of thought. That drew him, inevitably, to ancient Athens.

The mental challenges he faced seem much less formidable than the physical ones. Stone's eyesight has been deteriorating for years. He does much of his reading with the aid of a gift from Jerry Bruck Jr., who produced the 1973 documentary film "I.F. Stone's Weekly." The machine mag-nifies typescript several times and displays it on a television monitor.

Stone thought he would have to settle for writing a series of lectures until Little, Brown offered him a book contract and his daughter Celia told him of a word processor that could project letters in headlinesize type.
"So I got me one and did four drafts and

a fifth revision." Stone says.
In 399 B.C. Socrates was sentenced to death for corrupting the young and dishonoring the gods of Athens, The decision, rendered by a slim majority of the 500 jurors, stood for ages as an argument against the tyranny of majority rule. The more I fell in love with the Greeks, the more agonizing grew the spectacle of Socrates before his judges," Stone writes in his preface. "How could the trial of Socrates have happened in so free a society? How

Stone set out "to give the Athenian side of the story, to mitigate the city's crime and thereby remove some of the stigma the trial left on democracy and on Athens." That meant portraying Socrates as he has sel-

could Athens have been so untrue to it-

dom been portrayed before.
Plato presents Socrates as a secular sint, a wise man who sought only to clarify the thinking and puncture the preten-sions of his fellow citizens. Stone, on the other hand, portrays him as a middle-class snob who neglected his wife, taught his followers a contemptuous cynicism and undermined the interests of the city.

"I could not defend the verdict when ! started," Stone writes. "I cannot defend it now." But, he adds, Socrates had a death wish. "Socrates needed the hemlock as Jesus needed the Crucifixion to fulfill a mission." Stone writes. "That mission left a stain forever on democracy. That remains Athens's tragic crime."

Isidor Feinstein Stone has never been

much for navel contemplation. He has been a news junkie since he published his first paper, The Progress, at age 14. In the debut issue he attacked William Randolph Hearst, praised Mahatma Gandhi and quoted Sophocles.

LF. Stone: "The long view of history."

He thought, at one point, that he might become a philosophy professor. This was shortly before he dropped out of the University of Pennsylvania in his junior year. But the academic life seemed so bloodless compared with newspaper work, which also offered an ambitious young man a way

to make a little money.

He spent more than 20 years reporting and writing editorials for a succession of theral newspapers. But when the New York Daily Compass folded in 1952, Stone, 44, found himself unemployed and without offers.

"I couldn't get a job doing and saying what I wanted to say, so I started my own little flea-bit publication," he said then. With \$6,500 and the subscription lists from two defunct liberal dailies, he and his wife Esther began LF. Stone's Weekly. The first issue in January 1953 was mailed to 5,300 subscribers who each paid \$5 a year. The Red Scare was raging when the Weekly made its debut and Stone found himself ostracized from official Washing-

Stone attacked Joseph McCarthy and John Foster Dulles and questioned official accounts about the origins of the Korean War. Because his hearing was poor and he had no inside sources, Stone developed his stories by poring over documents, piecing together contradictions, showing how one official version of the truth did not jibe

with another.

rea might have known about, or perhaps precipitated, the North Korean attack that began the war, It was published by a small left wing publisher and blasted by reviewers before it disappeared from sight.

"All I wanted to call attention to were

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unanswered questions that are still unanswered. And then it also calls attention to the fact that some in the American military really welcomed the war."

"He was way ahead of the pack," says Bruce Cumings, professor of East Asian history at the University of Chicago and author of "The Origins of the Korean War," "His book has essentially been validated on a number of key points by archival documents that have come out in the past few years."

In the '60s Stone reaped the benefits of seeds sown many years earlier. The New Left adopted him as a hero and the circulation of the Weekly soured to 36,000. His integrity and enthusiasm had made him a

cult figure.

He lives in a quiet, well-heeled section of northwest Washington with Esther, his wife of 59 years. Their home is well-appointed, decorated with family photographs and Stone's Monors.

No news affects Stone as deeply as the news coming from Israel and its occupied territories. Stone's writings on the Middle East remain his best known and most durable. He published "Underground to Pales-tine" in 1946. When it was reissued in the late 1960s, he added a new essay called "The Other Zionism," in which he advocates a binational state.

"I got in trouble for it," he says. "But a lot of the early pioneers were binationalists. It was a large minority in the Zionist movement who felt the test would be whether we could live as brothers."

These days he spends most of his time in his library on the second floor of his home.
"It's not solitary because you are living with the living dead. All these people are not dead. These are all wonderful people. These Greek poets — every one of them is a human; Sappho in her jealousy and her passion is so alive."

Lately his studies have been interrupted by writers, photographers and television interviewers who ask him about the Greeks, old age, Ronald Reagan, whatever wisdom he cares to dispense. Most of his comments are variations on a theme, his faith in democracy.

"If you take a long view of history then you have the common man rising to equali-ty and governing himself. There are pitfalls and backslides and dictatorships, but from a long-range point of view it's the rise of the common man. It's what's in the Decla-ration of Independence and the Constitu-Stone's "The Hidden History of the Korean War," published in 1952, questioned whether the United States and South Kobern a steady march."

Adopted Son of Reags Tells of Troubled You

President Round Rengal and wife. Namey, are hopeful that chart Reagan's book describes troubled existenced and far problems will help others in sin woman said Monday Mich Reagan's autobiography, "On the Country of perfect a family. I've spent my trying to figure out how to the Ronald Reagan my friend.

Reagans read Michael's book to the weekend and called him 5. day to compliment him on it; Mrs. Reagan's press seems.
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describes how he was molested photographed by a day camp i er when he was seven. He had | the incident secret until last y The book also contains report arguments between Michael Nancy, Michael was adopted a Resgan was married to the act
Jame Wyman.

David Bowie, Jennifer Runa and other Western rock groups join Soviet musicians for a sent concerts intended to raise most fight drug addiction, organizer nounced. The concerts, origin scheduled for late this month now stated to take place in April The Novosti Press As said the three six-hour concerts, be held at the 30,000-scat Oin Stadium in north Moscow agency did not say why the certs were delayed, but sor close to the organizers blame; ... postponement on bureaucratic tape. Julian Lennon, the son of late Beatle John Lennon, and former Beatles George Han and Paul McCartney have been invited to perform, but it unclear whether they would pa-

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On April 19, Sotheby's of York will auction jewelry owned by Chare Boothe Luce, died last October at 84.

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President Hafez al-Assad s in Syria's first woman ambass on Monday, officials said in mascus. Saha Nasser, 46, wi the Syrian ambassador to Belg where she has been charge faires for the last two years.

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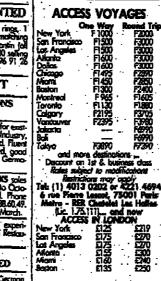
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